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Suzy McGirgan's niece Lily Parker with Townend Gideon during the South West Area Group's ride at Berrow Beach

Photograph: Nick Pound



Continuing the South West Area Group's Pink theme: Kate Lewis with Severnvalle Grace posing as a unicorn

Dates for 2023-2024

Recurring fixed dates

1 January - all FPS membership subscriptions due for renewal

1 February - FPS Magazine copy deadline, Spring issue

15 February - For eligibility to vote for Council, annual subscription must be paid by this date.

1 October - FPS Magazine copy deadline, Autumn issue

2023

18 November - Foal & Youngstock Show, Newton Rigg, Penrith, CA11 0AH

2024

6 April (Saturday) - Annual General Meeting, Orton, Cumbria.

11 May (Saturday) - Stallion & Colt Show, Dalemmain, Cumbria.

12 May - Dorset Show

tbc May - Highland and Fell Pony Camp, Linnel Wood near Hexham

tbc - Festival of Fells amalgamated with Derbyshire Show

May, July, September (all Sundays) - Midlands East Horse & Pony Shows

June (Sunday) - South Cumbria Show, Westmorland County Show Ground

9 June - Sandringham Horse & (Fell) Pony Show, Norfolk

July - South West Area Support Group Show at the Dunster Country Fair

4 August (Sunday) - Breed Show, Dalemmain, Cumbria.

8 September - Southern Breed Show, Berkshire College of Agriculture

26 October - FPS Sale at NW Auctions, Crooklands

16 November - Foal & Youngstock Show

Dates and venues are provisional.
Please check the FPS web site or ask the Office for confirmation.



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From Our President

Firstly, I would like to thank the Fell Pony Society Council and Members for re-electing me to stand again as President for a second term. Due to the Covid pandemic, most events were cancelled in my original term.

I have had the privilege to attend a few events this year - sadly not the stallion show due to a family wedding, but I heard good reports of it being a good day.

I was invited to attend the North East Group Open Day hosted by Eileen Walker - a very enjoyable day, with a stud visit and picnic lunch and film of the Queen's 90th Birthday at Windsor.

The South Cumbria Show was a lovely day out, with a good turnout of ponies and people. Some of the local shows were sadly cancelled due to the weather being so wet this summer.

It was very sad to attend the funeral of Isobel Potter, the family will miss her very much. Her personality was matched by the number of people in attendance.

Our Breed Show was lucky with the weather, a big entry even though a few didn't attend on the day.

The Greenholme Stud Open day, organised with the help of the Next Generation Group, was a great day to see ponies, over 50 of them in natural, breathtaking surroundings, and everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed it.

In this age of modern technology, ponies need to be seen, and our focus has to be on the Fell Pony.

It won't be long till the Sale at Junction 36.

Barbara Bell

Chairman's Report

This year's Breed Show was the Fiftieth for the Society. The first Show also took place at Dalemain, Penrith on the 1st August 1970. Four shows have been cancelled: for bad weather in 1996 and 2011, one during the Foot and Mouth outbreak in 2001 and one due to the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020. The first show saw 33 exhibitors compared to 80 in 2023; in 1970 there were 11 classes, and by 2023 this had increased to 42.

The winner of the Junior judging competition in 1970 was Barbara Bell who this year attended as our President and judged the Fancy Dress!

Thanks go to all those whose hard work makes this show a continued success as well as to the McCosh Family for their permission to use such a beautiful setting for the Show.

Congratulations go to a long term member of the FPS, Lizzie Finlayson-Briant, on being recognised in Queen Elizabeth II's Demise Honours list as a Member of the Royal Victorian Order. Lizzie served the late monarch for over 20 years, producing her Highland and Fell ponies.

Thanks go out to the numerous people who continue to promote the versatility of the Fell Pony in such a variety of disciplines and all those who completed the 96 mile challenge. Please continue to promote your achievements on social media and other suitable places.

Look out for Tom Lloyd, who runs Fell Pony Adventures in the Lakes, appearing in the TV programme Bargain Hunt in November. Tom has recently made a series of podcasts which highlight the personnel involved in a variety of ways with Fell ponies.

As ever, we are thankful to our hard-working Office staff and a reminder that they do not make the rules but only seek to administer those made by your elected Council.

Peter Boustead

Secretary & Treasurer's Report

As I write this report we are into Autumn and I hope some more settled weather than we had during the Summer months.

Many members have taken part in the 96 mile 'Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Challenge' in memory of our late patron. Thanks to our support groups for co-ordinating this.

As ever thank you to everyone who was out there doing something with ponies, enjoying themselves and in turn promoting the breed and advertising the Fell Pony as a truly versatile breed.

Our Stallion Show and Breed Show were a huge success this year, well supported by exhibitors and spectators/visitors at both events.

The Fell pony breed is categorised as 'At Risk' on the RBST Watchlist for 2023/24. RBST reviewed its methodology for compiling the Watchlist. The new approach compares effective population size with measures of inbreeding, moving away from the previous focus purely on female registrations. This gives a more accurate reflection of a breed's true conservation status. The data used for producing the watchlist is gathered in conjunction with Defra and is obtained from the relevant breed societies. The RBST has recently produced a webinar entitled 'Native Equine Conservation Project: Marketing Versatility'. An overview and link to watch the webinar can be found on the website www.rbst.org.uk/news

Many thanks to the Horserace Betting Levy Board for receipt of the Rare Breeds grant. Some additional funding received this year will be used for the voluntary DNA testing of filly foals born in 2024.

Thank you also to His Majesty The King, for his donation sent together with his warmest wishes for the forthcoming year. We are still awaiting confirmation of who our Patron will be.

Membership for 2023 is at just under 1200. This figure is up on last year and we are delighted to have processed 195 new memberships, some coming back to us after a break and some completely new members. We also have new memberships waiting to be processed for 2024.

We are happy to take membership renewal payments from November to avoid the January rush. If you wish to set up a Standing Order to pay your membership, make sure this is done in time for renewal date of 1 January.

The Society does not take card payments, therefore payments cannot be taken over the phone, but instead you can send a cheque/PO made payable to 'The Fell Pony Society' or pay by bank transfer (please ensure your name is used as the reference). Please try not to phone for these details - they are in every issue of the magazine and on the Society's website.

I would like to thank President, Barbara Bell, and Chairman, Peter Boustead, as well as Council for their continued support, also thanks to my colleagues Val, Chris and Elizabeth.

Best wishes for the coming year.

Katherine Wilkinson

From the Office - we're here to help

- Registration / Passport application forms cannot be downloaded from the website. They are only available by applying to the office. Do not photocopy the form. We are receiving a number of forms where the description is very difficult to read and the location of the chip has not been recorded by the vet. Occasionally the vet has not included a stamp. The description must be printed in block letters. All whorls must be recorded in black ink and all white must be recorded in red ink. Please read the guidance notes carefully prior to completion of the forms and check before sending in to the Society. Any forms incomplete or incorrectly completed will be returned.
- FIS sample packets - Please make sure that the full registered name with correct spelling is recorded (stable/pet names are not acceptable). The results are issued directly from the lab to the owner, by email. An email address must be provided on the packet for receipt of the results. Results will not be sent by post. In the absence of an email address, the result will be issued to your vet named on the packet label. Please make sure your email address is legible, because if the lab cannot read it that will cause delays in you receiving the result.
- The current Equine Identification Regulations require the applications for foal passports to arrive with the Society within 6 months of birth or 30 November whichever is the later. However in addition to the above, FPS regulations require applications to be received by no later than 31 December (irrespective of age) or the application will be treated as late and will require late registration fees and confirmation of the sire and dam by DNA. Double fees may also apply if applications are received during December.
- Service books are not issued automatically. If you need a book you must request one. Service certificates / notifications of coverings online must be notified by 31 December in the year of covering; if not, any resulting foal will have to be DNA typed to confirm the sire prior to registration. If you choose to input the details online you will receive an email acknowledging the successful receipt. If you don't receive an email the information has not been received and you should contact the Society without delay.

- When completing stallion service certificates please complete all the details fully, including full name and registration number of stallion and mare and full dates of covering to include at least month and year. Month on its own with no year is unacceptable

- Any Changes to a passport should in the first instance be notified to the Fell Pony Society. Please do not notify the Central Equine Database. The Society will do this once the changes have been verified.

For example

- change of address/contact details of the current owner,
- castration
- change of ownership
- notification of death
- change in 'food chain status'.

If you are unsure of the procedure then please ask.

- Payments by BACS - please always include your name (even if it's just your surname) as the reference, when sending payments this way. The bank details can be found on the website and in the magazine, usually around page 10!
- Postage - Passports are returned by Royal Mail 'Signed For' in the UK and with a proof of posting to overseas. If you wish to have your passport posted by 'Special Delivery' in the UK or 'International Track and Sign' overseas, please add £5.00 to the fee and let us know you wish to have it returned this way. Please do not send items to the FPS by using an old stamp (ie without the barcode) because the Society incurs extra cost to receive any mail sent with either incorrect postage or old stamps which became invalid in July 2023. This will be reclaimed from the sender or the item returned to sender by the Post Office.
- Prior to Export - If at all possible, please have the passport updated with the new owner's details prior to the pony leaving your holding. To a member the cost is only £10, but it saves the purchaser having to send the passport here from overseas once the pony arrives with them. If you are in this position, get in touch, because we can usually turn around the passports the same day in these circumstances.
- Transfer of Ownership - Please always complete the vendor section on the transfer form when you hand over the passport at the point of sale of a pony. This will help both the purchaser and FPS process the transfer / update the passport quickly. Vendors should also complete the details on the tear off slip, detach it and send to the FPS; it can either be posted, or photographed / scanned to send by email.
- During busy times and during periods of staff holiday and sickness please be patient; we will do our best to send out paperwork and return passports, and reply to emails and phone messages, within the usual time frame but there will be inevitable delays. We will try to advise of these periods on the website and Facebook page.

Katherine



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Fees & Charges

<i>All fees in £ sterling (GBP)</i>	UK		Overseas	
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member
To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received to 30 November	£10	£20	£15	£25
To Register Filly - registrations received to 30 November	£15	£30	£20	£35
To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£20	£40	£25	£45
To Register Filly - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£30	£60	£35	£65
Late Registration (does not include cost of parentage test)	£50	£100	£55	£105
Transfer of Ownership (UK)	£10	£20	£15	£25
Transfer to Gelding	FoC	FoC	FoC	FoC
Register a Prefix				
- UK Rate	£45	£55	£60	£70
FIS test kit	£40	£50	£45	£55
DNA kit	£50	£60	£55	£65
Duplicate Passport (does not include cost of parentage test)	£50	£60	£55	£65

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All bank transfers should be in English pounds sterling and any charges should be paid in the country of origin. Also, our bank makes a charge for the receipt of an electronic transfer from overseas, so please add £2 for transactions up to £100 and £7 for transactions greater than £100. Please ensure that you use your name as the reference when sending a payment by bank transfer.



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Membership Fees

Type of Membership	UK	Overseas
Full	£30	£40
Associate	£20	£30
Junior	£20	£30
Family	£60	£80

If you pay by Standing Order, please check with your bank that the Order is for the correct amount.

The range of overseas membership types mirrors the UK types, with an additional charge to cover the cost of overseas postage.

An associate member is unlikely to own a pony and therefore will not wish to take advantage of the pony related privileges of membership.

Family membership may be applied for by married or co-habiting couples and their children under the age of 18 years, all residing at the same address. The two adult members enjoy the rights and privileges of full membership, and the children the rights and privileges of junior membership. Full details are in section 2 of the Articles of Association. Please note that Family membership does not apply to adult couples without children; in these cases the membership is for 2 Full memberships (separate membership forms required).

Membership Renewal

Society memberships fall due on 1 January annually.

No member is entitled to vote for the election of Council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid on or before 15 February of the current year, or to vote at an EGM / AGM if his/her subscription has not been paid by the date of the meeting. Please have your membership card ready to show on arrival.

If subscriptions have not been received by the time we send out the Spring Magazine, a reminder slip is enclosed with it. Alternatively, members can arrange to pay their subscription by standing order on 1 January each year; or pay by bank transfer.



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FPS Stallion Licensing

	To include DNA* & FIS kits	If already FIS tested**
UK member	£120	£80
UK non member	£240	£200
Overseas member	£125	£85
Overseas non member	£245	£205

* If already DNA typed please apply to the office for appropriate fees.

** If already FIS tested, proof will be required - either sight of Certificate or confirmation from a relevant laboratory, eg Animal DNA Diagnostics, that the colt/stallion has been tested.

If either the FIS test or DNA typing has not been done through the FPS then a letter will also be required from the vet who took the sample, confirming that the identity of the pony was checked.

Information for EU owners and breeders

Breeders in the EU are encouraged to 'register' their foals with the Fell Pony Society once the passport has been issued in their home country. The FPS can issue the non statutory pages normally included in the FPS passports. These pages will be issued as a separate document, providing the passport has been issued as per the FPS regulations, and this would confirm registration in the FPS Stud Book.

NB the entry can only be added to FPS Stud book providing the application is as per the FPS rules.

There should be no need for DNA typing providing the passport has been issued in the year of birth.

Fell Ponies **will not** be included in the UK Grassroots online, unless they are first 'registered' in the FPS Stud book.

The Society can:

- issue stallion licences, stallion service books and accept service details online. Please also note that applications for a FPS stallion licence can *usually* only be considered for ponies already registered with the FPS or NFPS. Please check with the FPS.
- Process applications and renewals for FPS membership
- issue FIS test kits
- issue DNA test kits
- issue prefix applications to register a prefix with the Central prefix register in the UK.

Please get in touch with the FPS office if you have any questions or you would like to find out more about registering your Fell Pony with the FPS.



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Editorial

"Thank you" to all our contributors who make the Magazine what it is - who have written and collected and sent your reports, photographs and articles - and especially to those stalwart "extra pairs of eyes" who proof read it for me.

Stories

If you'd like to tell the story of your pony and his/her achievements, or write a helpful article for the Magazine, please send them to me, sue @dawbank.co.uk, or to Claire Simpson, claire.halebank @yahoo.co.uk.

Deadlines

Please make a note of the Magazine's copy deadlines. They are:

1st February for the Spring issue.

1st October for the Autumn issue.

Those dates can always be found on the web site on the FPS Calendar page, and the Magazine page.

How to set out your copy

Submission Guidelines, too, are on the Magazine page of the web site. Please read them, because you'll see you don't need to do anything fancy with your text. Get names right for people and ponies and keep everything else simple! If you follow the guidelines, that will save me time and effort in getting our Magazine out to you.

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Once again, thanks for sending news and articles. YOU and THE PONIES make this a very special magazine.

Sue Millard

Web Site update - Council Minutes

We have listened to members who have been asking, "What does the FPS Council do?" For several years we have made the Agenda of an upcoming Council meeting available on the Society's web site. We are now putting summaries of Council Minutes online as well.

The Agenda and Summaries can be found via links on the About The Society page. Summaries are being published 2 meetings in arrears, ie, after matters have been discussed and after the minutes of that meeting have been approved by Council at a subsequent meeting.

Obituaries

Isobel Potter

We were saddened to learn of the death of Isobel Potter, wife of Bill Potter who breeds the Greenholme ponies.

Isobel was always cheerful and busy keeping house for Bill. She always fed you well! The only time anyone was turned away was when Bill had Covid, when she was most apologetic, but firm. She never complained of her own health even if you met her going to or from the doctor's surgery in Shap; her most pungent comments were about the failings of the public health system.

She never had a driving licence, so she relied on Bill for household shopping and other trips off the farm, and she had a fearsome reputation if she ever got aboard a quad bike to help out with shepherding or moving ponies.

She was immensely proud of the family and of their ponies and loved to share her photo albums recording their lives.

The huge respect in which she was held was demonstrated by the number of people who attended her funeral to say goodbye.

Stella Hore

This year saw the passing of Stella Hore, a long time member and judge of the FPS. Stella worked for Ronald Bray at the Greenfield Stud in North Yorkshire in the 1960's and 70's. After that she moved to Devon and when the Greenfield Stud was dispersed in 1979 she was given one of their champion mares, May Queen (Heltondale Prince x Roundthwaite Bell Heather).

FPS Council member Liz Whitley writes:

"Horses were her life and she was very proud of her ponies. An NPS Silver Medal rosette was incorporated on her coffin flowers (she was a long time secretary of NPS area in Devon). Later in her career she worked as an assessor at Duchy College, where I also worked. I remember on my first day spotting her FPS car sticker and had to find out who it belonged to! She was remembered for being stern but very fair and one of her sayings was "fill that barrow, a barrow has four corners!"



Stella Hore riding Snip of Wharton

Jane Elizabeth Paterson

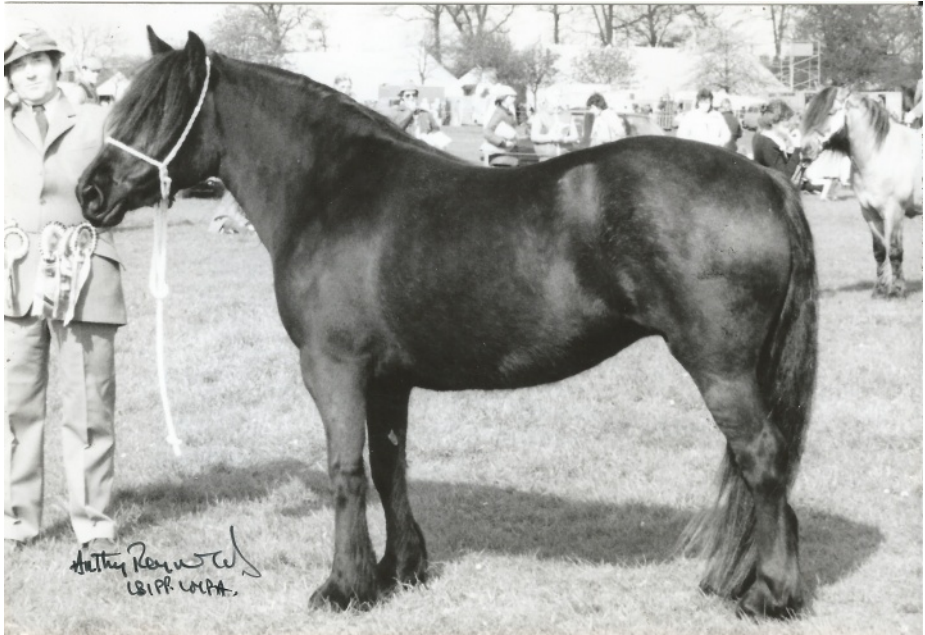


Photo credit: Anthony Reynolds

Miss Jane Paterson's Townend Holly IV, Leicestershire County 1985.

The Fell Pony Society was saddened to learn of the death of well-respected F.P.S judge and Native breed supporter Jane Paterson after a short illness. She will be fondly remembered by all who knew her.

Jane was born in 1953 to David Paterson of Finedon, Northamptonshire, and Frances Paterson (nee Harrison) formerly of Shundraw Farm, St John's in the Vale, Keswick in Cumbria.

Jane's love of horses and ponies was inherited from Frances whose Cumbrian family were breeding Fell ponies back in 1914, so her ties to the breed went back a long way. She had ponies from an early age, her first being Shetlands. She enjoyed taking part in gymkhanas for several years but eventually began showing Mountain and Moorland ponies.

Jane was a member of the National Pony Society Area 13 committee for over 20 years and also a member of the British Show Pony Society Area 17 committee. She was asked to judge at shows all over the country and was a Fell, Shetland and Dartmoor breed judge.

Jane's other love was for her dogs, two Border terriers that went everywhere with her. Previously she had a succession of Jack Russell terriers.

Fell walking was a lifetime passion, documented by her many photographs of the hills. She loved the Lake District and came to stay with her Cumbrian family whilst completing the Wainwrights in 1994 - her first fell being Walla Crag and last Scafell Pike. She also completed the Outlying Fells in 1995, being only the fifth woman to do so.

She had much success in the show ring with Townend Holly IV and Sleddale John over the years as well as "one or two" others.

Jane S. G. Glass



Miss Jane Glass in 1994 with four Wolds ponies: Lapwing, Redstart, Songthrush and Woodcock, all bred from Heltondale Rose V (centre)

Jane Glass was born in 1935 and moved to Wymeswold in 1939, where she lived for the remainder of her life.

Jane had done a proper training in horsemanship, with a well-known showing yard of the time. She was one of a very few people to get the Pony Club A test and eventually had a riding school whilst showing horses for various people. When I first met her, I was very young and she had only fairly recently started in Fells and still had two hunter brood mares whom she showed with foals.

She had Waverhead Rob and Shilstone Rocks Blackberry along with three mares she had bought from Walter Lloyd: Heltondale Polly Perkins, Heltondale Princess Royal and Hades Hill Sonia. Soon she bought Polly Perkins' daughter Hades Hill Poppy who came to Burton for me to ride.

I remember in 1971 going up to the second ever Fell Pony Society Breed show at Dalemain in Cumbria, when it rained stair rods all day. I took Poppy into the Children's ridden class and the rain came sideways. Poppy stuck her bum into it and wouldn't budge. I got a proper telling off after that class.

I also remember mucking out one day and Jane came waltzing into the stable and said to me, "Has no-one ever taught you how to muck out properly?" I felt about two inches tall, but she showed me and her rationale was entirely sensible - so that anyone could take over and know exactly what point you were at.

It would have been around that time that she met Mary Longsdon. Jane was a very private person but they became friends for life and Mary sent mares to Waverhead Rob for several years.

Jane had a knack (or maybe it was the ponies...) of attracting girls to the yard. Jane always made sure we had something to ride and we would spend the weekend days there,

mucking out, dealing with unbroken ponies and youngsters, and riding and cleaning tack. She was kind and caring, generous wherever she was able to be, but she could be a hard taskmaster too, for that was how she had been taught. She fed us and watered us on copious amounts of tea, but we had to do all our jobs properly. The brass on in hand bridles had to shine even in the wet and you could always tell a pony from the Wolds stud by its brass.

When Jane was in her late fifties she started riding again. She had Heltondale Doll, and my pony Wolds Songthrush was about 5, so Jane and I used to ride before I went to work. It was an amazing time; I learnt such a lot then and had to ride properly all the time - I remember her saying sharply, "Sit on your crotch!" (Sorry). We took the ponies up to Beacon Hill one time and had a lovely gallop along a track. Jane was in front, but her sight was so bad that we very nearly had a close encounter with a marker post, thankfully avoiding disaster because of Doll's sense of self preservation.

Jane always carried a pen knife. That knife would cut everything and pick out feet, *and* cut the sandwiches. Jane also often carried a curb-chain in her pocket because that was the best way to make it shine. She hated us showing ponies in long boots but we broke ranks on that one when jodhpur boots at 30 seemed a little ridiculous.

She had a classic way of getting ponies to put their ears forward for photographs: she would get down on all fours so that they peered at her with pricked ears. Her other method was blowing the 'gone away' between her teeth.

We had many wonderful trips to Cumbria for the breed show, usually combining it with other shows such as Appleby and Kirkby Lonsdale. Jane was the driver behind the creation of the Midlands Hairy Pony Shows, which were enormously successful in the eighties and nineties and incorporated all of the hairy breeds. She joined with Mary Longsdon in founding the FPS Southern Breed Show when it was felt that there should be something more accessible for the growing number of members of the Society based in the South. The first show was held in Wheatley. Subsequently, Sir John Miller, HM the Queen's equerry, contacted Jane and offered us his home at Shotover as a venue. That was its home for many years, before foot and mouth disease drove us to find a new venue.

Jane also worked with Mary to set up the FPS area groups and was a key part of the East Midlands Group as well as the West Midlands Group. They both loved a good meal and so the Christmas lunches and the lunch at Mr and Mrs Marshall's were key events! Mary and Jane also looked after the FPS merchandise stand. It was a good way for them to socialise at shows without having to be on their feet all day. Jane loved to watch her ponies perform and would always be ringside during their classes, talking to many of the breeders, and they respected her. Chris Thompson of the Drybarrows stud always called her Miss Glass, never Jane, and they always asked after her if she wasn't there. Even last year at the breed show the breeders were all asking how Jane was.

Jane's hard work and dedication to the breed and the Society were recognised by her being made one of the first Honorary Members. She served on Council and was a great organiser. She spread the word globally and several of her ponies were exported to Germany and Holland. There are still Wolds ponies about; she gifted Wolds Red Kite to Barry, Tracy and Georgina Mallinson who had been very kind to her. Kite has recently foaled a filly. Many of us had shares in her ponies and my own Songthrush was half owned by Jane. Indeed, only last year there was a new addition to the Wolds lineage: Wolds Jackdaw II, the original Jackdaw being Blackberry's first foal. So Wolds Stud carries on, although we are repeating names now as we have gone through all the British birds whose names we could use without embarrassment (we drew the line at Shag...).

So thank you Jane, there will never be another like you and we shall never know half of what you knew. Thank you for the friendships, the laughter, the tears, the frustrations and the lessons learned. I hope you have met up with Mary so that you can sort the Fell Pony world out together and I hope that somewhere there is a large field with all the lovely ponies greeting you. I'm sure if there is such a place you and Mary will be eating ice creams together.

Liz Whitley, Launceston

London Marathon April 2024

Proudly Running for World Horse Welfare

Val, one of our admin team, has recently been awarded a 'Golden Ticket' by World Horse Welfare to run the 2024 London Marathon! Val has been a keen runner for many years having previously completed several full and half marathons for charity. She has set herself a target of raising £2000 for this international equine charity who rescue, re-home and strive to ensure every horse is treated with respect and compassion, not only in the UK but around the world. Training has already begun and with Winter approaching it will definitely be a test of endurance and determination in the Lake District weather and terrain! If you can, please support Val in her efforts to fundraise for this worthy cause by going to her JustGiving page: [justgiving.com/page/val-london-2024](https://www.justgiving.com/page/val-london-2024) All donations go directly through to the Charity and you can read more about her and her journey to the start line in London 2024. If you would like to find out more about World Horse Welfare and the work they do, go to www.worldhorsewelfare.org. Thank you.

THE SOCIETY WILL BE LOOKING FOR TWO SECRETARIES

If you are interested or want to know more about what's involved in either role, please contact the FPS office.

Email secretaryfellponysociety@gmail.com

SHOW SECRETARY STALLION SHOW AND BREED SHOW

To take over after the Breed Show in August 2024

and ideally to work alongside the current Secretary for both Shows in 2024.

A few hours a month plus extra leading up to the Stallion Show in May and the Breed Show in August.

TROPHIES SECRETARY STALLION SHOW AND BREED SHOW

To take over from 2025

and ideally to work alongside the current Secretary for both Shows in 2024.

Mainly required on show days

but some time following up the return of trophies may be required prior to a show day.

Probationer Judges Assessment Day

The Society recently held an assessment day at the Rest Harrow E.C. near Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria. Prospective probationer judges were asked to show their knowledge of the breed standard and be assessed for their suitability to join the probationary scheme. (*See photos opposite.*)

The intention is to assess the knowledge base of candidates as well as their motivations for becoming a judge. It is conducted by a panel of senior judges, through both practical assessment of candidates' judging abilities, and by asking some theory based questions on the FPS scale of points, as well as discussion of hypothetical showing scenarios one might face. The senior panel judges were Christine Robinson, Glenis Cockbain, Michael Goddard and Peter Boustead.

A good selection of ponies were generously provided for appraisal by the candidates by the Metcalfe family, Keira Evans, Michelle Thompson and Nicola Evans.

Thanks to everyone who brought ponies and provided their time and expertise to organise and attend the event.

The FPS Probationer Judges Scheme

We are, as ever, keen to hear from anyone interested in developing their knowledge and experience of ponies from the viewpoint of the middle of the showing ring.

We are always looking for committed, open minded, enthusiastic and diplomatic people to join the judges panel. You must have been a full senior member of the FPS for a minimum of 3 consecutive years and have the support of two current FPS judges or council members.

A breadth of experience is valuable and we would like to see examples of this in your application. Alongside competing and breeding, we encourage you to visit ponies in their native habitat at a range of studs, as well as stewarding at events and attending a variety of open days and shows to observe Fell showing classes.

A Fell Pony Study Day, open to all members, is planned for 2024.

The next Assessment Day will be in 2025. Anyone who is interested would be most welcome to apply.

Application forms can be obtained from the secretary of the judges scheme, Jenny Grealish, or if you'd like further information please do give Jenny or Michael Goddard, the chairman of the scheme, a call or email using the contact details listed below.

Jenny - 07557 309987, fpsjudgesecretary@gmail.com

Michael - 07964 209243, michael.goddard2014@gmail.com





THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 1 April 2023

Mr Boustead asked members to remember those no longer with us by observing a minute's silence: Her Majesty The Queen Elizabeth II, Mrs R Brown, Mrs D Brunt, Mrs M Cameron, Miss J Patterson, Mrs C Ross-Thomson, Mr D Scott, Mr N Surplus, Mr D Urwin.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Mrs S Camp, Miss L Charlton, The Cheetham family; Mr John, Mrs T, Imogen & Connor Cockbain; Mrs S Densham, Mr M Goddard, Mr C Grant, Mrs J Grealish, Mr J Greener, Mrs J James, Mrs D Key, Mrs C Knight, Mr B Mallinson, Mrs P Randell, Mrs J Reekie, Mr W Robinson, Mr R Sutcliffe, Mr K Turner, Dr E Whitley, Mr D & Miss M Wilkinson, Mrs M Wilson, Miss E Woodruff, Mrs J Wood.

2 Approval and adoption of the EGM Minutes and Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of 2022

Mr Boustead asked for a proposer and seconder for approval of the minutes published in the Autumn2022 Magazine. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Mrs Slack and seconded by Mrs Metcalfe and approved by members.

3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2022

There were no matters arising.

4 Chairman's Report

Mr Boustead summarised the past 12 months of Centenary celebrations, thanking everyone involved. The highlight for him being the presentation to HM Queen at the Windsor Horse Show in May and receipt on behalf of the FPS of the signed photo depicting the iconic 2 grey Bybeck ponies.

5 Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Mrs Wilkinson reported that 2022 was a busy year for the Society and its members who enjoyed celebrating the Society's centenary with their ponies and in style. The planning of events for the coming year is underway including shows, support group events and promotional events.

Registrations for 2022 are now complete. We are working on the stud book which will be available at the Stallion Show. Total Registrations for 2022 are 321, plus 38 ponies registered by the Dutch Society, in comparison to 323 in 2021, and 34 ponies registered by the Dutch Society. The number of foals registered to the Hill bred herds as agreed by Council, was 120, 6 less than in 2021.

Membership currently stands at 904. Reminders in the magazine for outstanding membership fees have resulted in a steady flow of payments coming in over the last few weeks. Around 300 who were members last year have still to renew and there have been 83 new members so far in 2023.

597 were eligible to vote for Council election as their memberships were renewed by 15 February. Disappointingly again only 127 voting papers were returned.

Mrs Wilkinson reminded members to read the magazine that is issued twice a year. As well as details of events that have taken place and are scheduled to take place there is a huge amount of information in there, from the Society's bank details for members to send a payment, to a full list of available merchandise.

Schedules and entry forms for the Stallion Show, South Cumbria Show and the Breed Show are available today and will soon be available to download from our website. The HOYS qualifier will be held at the Stallion Show in May; there will be no HOYS qualifier at the Breed Show.

The Society has been advised that the Royal Household are conducting a detailed review of Royal Patronages over the coming months, so we will wait to hear. We have however just received notification that His Majesty The King has asked that a donation is made to the FPS, and we are very grateful for his support.

In February the annual return was submitted to The Horserace Betting Levy, so the Society looks forward to receiving the grant in due course and is very grateful for this.

Council have agreed again this year that applications will be accepted for the Learning With Fells Scheme from adult as well as junior members, with priority given to those aged 10-18. If anyone is interested in joining the scheme please let the office know as soon as possible. The visits will be arranged when Council meet in May.

Tom Blunt, RBST Senior Conservation Adviser, has provided an overview on the breed, the information coming directly from the FPS Stud Book (*report on p45*). The number of breeders who have registered progeny has seen a steady increase since 2019, which is very positive following a period of decline in breeders starting in 2011. Overall, the breed data in both 2021 and 2022 have been very encouraging, with the number of registrations and dams gradually increasing. The increase seems to be at a controlled rate, and this is extremely positive as this way of growth has a greater chance of being sustained. Positively there does not seem to be any erratic fluctuation in the breed's data.

The number of breeders registering progeny is an important figure, because it is important to ensure that breeding is being undertaken by a number of breeders and not just a select few. The number of sires and dams is also important; in general the more males used for breeding the better, because it reduces the likelihood of males being overused and can help ensure genetic diversity.

This is very encouraging for the breed and gives a good overview of the hard work being undertaken by the breeders and the society to ensure the success of the breed. It is important to understand the structure of a breed; it includes the geographic dispersion of the breed, because geographic concentration of a breed in a particular area can increase the risk from diseases. Reviewing where the breeders are located, alongside where the various genetics are represented, is an important exercise to undertake.

The accounts show a loss of £8627 for the year ending 31 October 2022. If the upkeep of ponies is taken out (£10830 less £4500 legacy received for this purpose) this leaves a loss of £2297. Funds are received by the FPS from the estate of the late owner to cover the upkeep of the now 1 pony; there are no payments made towards the upkeep from FPS funds.

Finally, Mrs Wilkinson thanked Council, for their continued support, to Christine our President, and to Chris, Elizabeth and Kirsten in the office. Kirsten will be leaving soon and the final stages of recruiting a new member of staff to replace her are in the pipeline.

6 Election of Council

Mr Boustead reported that there had been 7 candidates for 4 places. The scrutineer, Mr G Johnson, reported that the 127 valid voting papers were returned; in addition there were 2 spoilt papers.

Mr T Lloyd, Miss H Mawrey, Dr E Whitley and Mr D Wilkinson were successful.

Mr Boustead thanked unsuccessful candidates, Mrs S Brunskill, Miss D Meikle and Mr K Turner for standing.

7 Election of President

Council had suggested Miss B Bell as President, since her last term of office was interrupted by Covid.

Members unanimously agreed.

8 Approval of Honorary Member

Council nominated Mr T Pendry.

Members unanimously agreed.

9 Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31 October 2022

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Miss Simpson, seconded by Mrs Charlton and agreed by members.

10 Resolution to appoint Dodd & Co as Accountants to the Society

The resolution was proposed by Mrs Millard, seconded by Miss Simpson and agreed by the members.

11 Reports from Sub-Committees

Conservation Grazing - Mrs Robinson reported that both the RSPB and Kent Wildlife Trust had acquired Fell Ponies for grazing. The committee is analysing the completed breeders survey replies and will be particularly looking at the type of grazing used.

Display Team - Various events to be attended throughout the year, with the stand and display and with the stand only, some events to include a musical ride display. The first event of the season will be Sandringham, which members will be attending with merchandise and the information stand.

Overseas committee - Mrs Millard reported the following:

NFPS - as a Daughter Society they issue passports for Fells born in the NL and can also issue passports for Fells born in Belgium, Germany and Hungary.

USA - foals born in the US and Canada are registered with and passports issued by the FPS.

Sweden - active group with increasing interest in the Breed.

Denmark - Overseas branch in the process of obtaining Daughter Society status.

Germany - each state has its own responsibilities to issue passports.

France, Czech and Poland - have no alternative to obtain passports; FPS is still issuing them with a disclaimer that it cannot accept responsibility if the passports are not recognised in the EU.

Defra have confirmed that the FPS can continue to issue Stallion Licences for ponies in the EU and they should be recognised by the authorities.

Disappointingly since Brexit the Society is having to work really hard in maintaining its previous relationships with breeders and owners from overseas, to encourage

notifications of the whereabouts of ponies once they leave the UK and of foals born. This also applies to the USA and Australasia as well as EU countries.

Judges Committee - Mrs Charlton reported on behalf of Mrs Grealish. The committee is as keen as ever to hear from anyone interested in joining the scheme. A trainee judges assessment day will take place in the Autumn with a view to successful applicants going forward for training in 2024.

Applicants must be committed and open minded and have visited studs, stewarded Fell Pony classes etc and have been a Full member for 3 years at the time of the assessment.

Show Committee - Miss Fairburn reminded members that schedules for the forthcoming shows were available at the AGM and to download. She said that sponsorship was welcome and that stewards were required with free food in return! Members were reminded that entries can be submitted by email and that late entries would not be accepted, as all entries are to be catalogued. She looked forward meeting exhibitors at the shows.

NESG - Mrs Walker reported that a successful Sunday lunch had been held earlier in the year. A new training event is to be held on 2 April at Marwood EC, with an indoor arena and 15 participants booked in.

The Hairy Pony Camp scheduled to take place over the Coronation weekend is almost full. 17 June, Summer Social, venue Rackwood Stud. The group has been promoting the 96 mile challenge and encouraging new members from the area.

Mrs Walker also reported that at the end of 2022, there were 522 Licensed stallions (123 were active in 2022, 24.8%). 30 new stallion licences were issued in 2022 and 495 coverings were notified - 265 online and 230 via service books.

Scotland - Miss Fairburn reported for both North and South. 1 May - social gathering at Redwings, 1 July - visit to Essiecroft Dales Stud, on the Friday of the RHS planned get together. They are struggling to get support for events, but anything planned will be advertised on the group's Facebook page.

12 Any Other Business

Mrs Hodgson reported that as a judge she would like to see all exhibitors dress neatly and smartly and consider safety when showing stallions / colts by wearing protective head gear, gloves and covering their arms. There was some discussion, but it was felt that exhibitors show at their own risk.

There were no matters / questions submitted by the required date of 17 March. However, a letter was received by Council members by email on 30 March and it was requested for it to be read out at the AGM. Mrs Wilkinson read out its contents which included allegations against Mr Boustead and called for Council to call for his resignation.

Mr Boustead responded to the allegations in some detail.

Mrs Rawden stated that the matter had been raised as requested but it should only be discussed further at a Council meeting.

Mrs Walker quoted from the Society's Memorandum & Articles of Association: "16.2 The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Society shall be members of the Council and shall be elected by the Council by a poll at the next Council meeting after the Annual General Meeting in each year."

She thanked Mr Boustead for the information he had provided and reminded members that Council was voted for by members but the Chairman was voted for by Council. It was proposed by Miss Fell, seconded by Mrs Charlton and agreed by the majority that Council would discuss the matter at its next meeting and take any action it felt was necessary.

13 Presentation of Awards

Mrs Robinson presented the awards.

Mrs Rawden received the Lownthwaite Rob trophy presented to Carltonima Emma, and she read out a thank you from Terry Pendry and Lizzie Briant.

The Queen's Trophy was presented to the FPS Centenary Committee.

The Edinburgh Prize was presented to Paul Metcalfe.

The Peahill Basil Trophy was presented to Waverhead Dazzler II.

The winners of the Youngstock & Performance Awards and Endurance Awards were announced. All the award winners who were present were invited to take part in a 'photo shoot' with Claire Simpson following the presentations.

The Fell Pony Society Breeders Award in Memory of Chris Thompson was awarded to **Greenholme Stud**, with rosettes to:

- 2nd Carrock
- 3rd Wellbrow
- 4th Drybarrows
- 5th Boutime
- 6th Lunesdale



Award winners received their trophies and rosettes at the AGM: Jane Rawden, Michelle Thorpe, Flo Goodbrand-Lloyd, Paul Metcalfe, Bill Potter, Ally Knight, Rachel Woodruff, Barbara Bell, Christine Robinson, Eileen Walker, Edwin Winder. (Detailed results were in the Spring 2023 issue)



THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

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Nominations for Council 2024 - Reminder

Members wishing to make a nomination for Council should obtain a form from the Office in good time to return the completed form before the deadline of 1st January 2024.

Proposer and seconder should check that their candidate is eligible as a charity Trustee and company Director.

Candidates should read the information on the FPS web site "Information on the Council and How to become a Council Member" about Charity status and Limited Company responsibilities. This is available via links on the "About the Society" page as well as the "Rules & Regulations" page.

Postal Voting for Council Members

Ballot papers will be sent out with the Spring Magazine to those eligible to vote. Completed ballot papers have to be returned to the Scrutineer appointed by the Council, not less than 10 days before the date of the AGM.

No member is entitled to vote in the election for council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid by 15th February 2024. You will find the details on Votes of Members under Section 7 of the Articles of Association. Election to the Council is Section 8.6.

Please send your ballot paper to the Scrutineer before the deadline.

Do not waste your chance to vote in the running of your Society.

Dorset Fell Show, 23rd April 2023

The Dorset Fell Show took place slightly earlier than the usual date, on the 23rd of April at Kingston Maurward College Equestrian Centre, Dorchester.

We were prepared for whatever the weather would throw at us this year as the show was held in the indoor school. There was a good turnout of exhibitors with their ponies, and it was lovely to see some new faces and of course familiar ones too! Karen Hodge's Kalmara Felicity was the winner of the Supreme Champion after also being awarded the In Hand Championship. Reserve Supreme was the Ridden Champion, Mosshey Centurion.

Gill had organized an excellent raffle with great prizes: top prize, as always was Sharron's bespoke Fell cushion. Thank you very much to her helpers who sold tickets and everyone else who helped on the day.

Thanks have to be given to our very generous sponsors who all willingly sponsored classes, and it was pleasing to see many of our sponsors on the day. If you would like to sponsor a class for 2024, details will be on our website www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk

Thanks also to our judge Malcolm Fry, to Kingston Maurward College and especially to Really Awesome Coffee, Weymouth, who stepped in at the last minute when we were let down by the caterers. This year's photographer was Dorset Photo Event, and pictures are on their website, www.dorsetphotoevent.co.uk.

Next year's show will be held on 12th May 2024 at Kingston Maurward College, Dorchester. This is slightly later than usual but we do have the use of the indoor school again so should be well prepared for the weather, rain or shine.

Catriona Edwards

Dorset Fell Show

Results

Judge: Mr Malcolm Fry

Class 1 Stallions

- 1st Lychfields Dennis The Menace, Elaine Schwarzin

Class 2 Mares

- 1st Kalmara Felicity, Karen Hodge and B Wellings-Hodge
- 2nd Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker
- 3rd Lownthwaite Beauty Queen, Linda Knight
- 4th Bewcastle Bell, Michaela Toms
- 5th Severnvale Ruby Rose, Leanne Harman
- 6th Littletree Ladybird, Jasmine Eglon

Class 3 Geldings

- 1st Severnvale Tyson, M Martin
- 2nd Lydvale Leo, Diana McGrail

Class 4 Veterans

- 1st Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker
- 2nd Littletree Ladybird, Jasmine Eglon

Class 5 Potential Driving

- 1st Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker
- 2nd Severnvale Tyson, M Martin

Class 6 Pairs

- 1st Lydvale Leo, Diana McGrail
- 2nd Lydvale Pearl, Paul Viney

Class 7 Youngstock

- 1st Harthouse Huntsman, Shirley Ball
- 2nd Drybarrows Formidable, Jacqui Down
- 3rd Severnvale Wilma, Leanne Harman

Class 8 Novice Ridden

- 1st Drybarrows Distilled, Abigail Fouch
- 2nd Royston Euphoria, Emily Andrews

3rd Severnvale Tyson, M Martin

4th Lydvale Leo, Diana McGrail

Class 9 Ridden Stallions

1st Drybarrows Distilled, Abigail Fouch

Class 10 Ridden Mares

1st Bewcastle Bell, Michaela Toms

2nd Waverhead Patience, Jayne Cottingham

Class 11 Ridden Geldings

1st Mosshey Centurion, Georgia Norton

2nd Royston Euphoria, Emily Andrews

Class 12 Ridden Veterans

1st Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker

Class 13 Traditional Ridden Stallions & Geldings

1st Mosshey Centurion, Georgia Norton

2nd Royston Euphoria, Emily Andrews

3rd Severnvale Tyson, M Martin

Class 14 Traditional Ridden Mares

1st Bewcastle Bell, Michaela Toms

2nd Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker

3rd Waverhead Patience, Jayne Cottingham

4th Lownthwaite Beauty Queen, Linda Knight

In Hand Champion Kalmara Felicity, Karen Hodge & B Wellings-Hodge

Reserve Banksgate Shannon, Helen Parker

Ridden Champion Mosshey Centurion, Georgia Norton

Reserve Bewcastle Bell, Michaela Toms

Supreme Champion Kalmara Felicity, Karen Hodge & B Wellings-Hodge

Reserve Mosshey Centurion, Georgia Norton

FPS Trophies and Awards

Nominated Awards

The Queen's Trophy is presented annually to a person or persons who, in the opinion of the current chairman and approved by Council, has promoted the breed by work, recreation, or study.

The Edinburgh Prize is awarded internationally to a single or multiple turnout of registered Fell ponies, for achievement in Driving.

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy is awarded annually to the pony that has done the most to publicise the breed outside the show ring.

The Peahill Basil Award is awarded internationally to a single registered Fell Pony for achievements as a veteran 15 years and over.

If you think the achievements of a person or pony should be recognised please send your nomination to the FPS Secretary before 31st December.

Points Awards

Breeders' Trophy

All In Hand exhibits at the FPS Stallion & Colt Show, the FPS Breed Show and FPS Southern Show automatically gain points and are entered for the Breeders' Trophy.

For other schemes and awards, please download the forms from the web site and submit them when completed.

Premium & Performance Points Award Schemes

The Horserace Betting Levy Board grant is used to give premiums to breeders and owners through the Premium & Performance Points Award Schemes.

The FPS Endurance Awards Scheme collates points for distances achieved by long distance riders of Fell ponies.

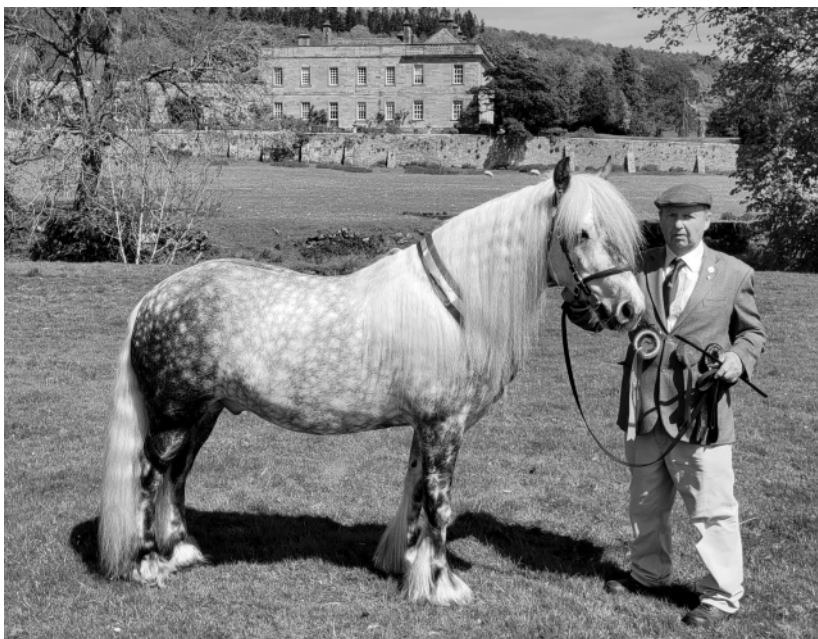
The Greenholme Shandy FPS Trec Award is to encourage owners to have a go at Trec.

Details are on the Awards page of the FPS web site: <http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/awards.htm>

The Fell Pony Society Annual Stallion & Colt Show May 2023

The annual FPS Stallion & Colt Show was held on a lovely Spring day and attracted a large crowd of visitors to the beautiful setting of Dalemain near Ullswater.

Judge Andrew Thorpe from the Wellbrow Stud, Rochdale, was pleased with the quality of the ponies presented, and chose Brackenbank Red Ace, owned by David McDowell, and bred by the Wilkinson family, as the supreme champion. Shown by Courtney Savage, the lovely bay five-year-old impressed Andrew with his excellent ground covering movement and he is also an outstanding example of breed type.



Cargenwater Casanova shown by Barry Mallinson was the champion gelding at the Stallion & Colt Show (more photos in centre Colour Photo section of the Magazine)

The reserve supreme championship went to the two year old Hardendale Hilfiger (Tommy), owned by Barbara Potter and bred by Barry & Tracey Mallinson. Shown by Bethany Cousins, this super youngster had won the youngstock championship earlier in the day, and again impressed with his movement and true Fell pony type. Barbara bought Tommy at the annual Fell Pony Society Sale in 2022 and was thrilled with his success, as she had just hoped that the young colt would behave himself away from home; he certainly exceeded her expectations, taking everything in his stride and becoming overall reserve supreme.

The reserve champion in the youngstock section was the yearling Greenholme Quicksilver, a very smart grey yearling owned and bred by the Misses RJ and BK Potter who stood out in the yearling class with his conformation and movement, and no doubt he will have a great future ahead of him.

The champion in the gelding section was the beautiful six-year-old dapple grey Cargenwater Casanova, a real pony type, and again with tremendous movement, shown by Barry Mallinson; with the two-year-old Carrock Duke owned by Anna Ellwood and bred by John Cockbain in reserve. The judge commented that although the classes were small both ponies were exceptional geldings and very worthy winners.

Winner of the driving class was Paul Metcalfe's stylish turnout with the grey gelding Greenholme Dec, bred by the Potter family.

For the first time the Horse of The Year Show qualifier was held at this show, rather than the Breed show later in the year, and a large class of 23 ponies and riders was judged by Georgina Callister (ride) and Christine Robinson (conformation). Rosefell T Reg owned and bred by Juliet Huddleston won the class, having also won the class for ridden stallions and geldings earlier in the day with a delighted Rosie Tinkler in the saddle. Sadly, due to a misunderstanding about society memberships, the qualification ticket was later passed to the second placed pony Lunesdale Dixie with Georgina Mallinson.

Grateful thanks to the Hasell-McCosh family for allowing use of their wonderful venue; sponsors Unique Homecare who provided their beautiful rosettes; Helen Moss; and to judges, stewards, competitors and all the volunteers who so generously give their time to make the show a success.

Claire Simpson

Results

Class 1 Yearling Colts

- 1st Greenholme Quicksilver, FP73564C, f2022, Owner & Breeder Misses R J & B K Potter
- 2nd Lunesdale Declan, FP73581C, f2022, Owner Mr J Tighe, Breeder Mr A W Morland
- 3rd Darrenvale Tyrion, FP73619C, f2022, Owner & Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe

Class 2 Two Year Old Colts

- 1st Hardendale Hilfiger, FP73361C, f2021, Owner Miss B A Potter, Breeder Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson
- 2nd Castle Hill Glenfiddich, FP73428C, f2021, Owner Mrs K Hardy, Breeder Mrs C Crow
- 3rd Bybeck Angelo, FP73364C, f2021, Owner Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson, Breeder Mr C Roberts

Class 3 Geldings 2 & 3 Years Old

- 1st Carrock Duke, FP73396G, f2021, Owner Mrs A Ellwood, Breeder Mr J W Cockbain

Class 4 Licensed Stallions 3 & 4 Years Old

- 1st Bracklinn Lockdown, FP73299C*, Lic FP994, f2020, Owner Miss H Reynolds, Breeder Mr A Smith
- 2nd Greenholme Olly, FP73238C*, Lic FP1011, f2020, Owner Miss E Ferguson, Breeder Misses R J & B K Potter

- 3rd Darrenvale Bandit, FP73128C*, Lic FP996, f2019, Owner & Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe

Class 5 Geldings 4 Years Old & Over

- 1st Cargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017, Owner Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson, Breeder Mr J & Mrs E Martin

Class 6 Licensed Stallions 5 Years Old & Over

- 1st Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, Lic FP928, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Breeder Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd Murthwaite Wanted Man, FP71082C*, Lic FP535, f2007, Owner Mrs C Wigley & Mrs J Crane, Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick
- 3rd Setmabanning Jacko, FP72674C*, Lic FP918, f2016, Owner Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe, Breeder The Late Mr G L Hutton

Class 7 Riding Class For Licensed Stallions Or Geldings, 4 Years & Over, To Be Shown Under Saddle

- 1st Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, Owner & Breeder Mrs J Huddleston, Rider Miss R Tinkler
- 2nd Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, Lic FP928, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Breeder Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson, Rider Miss C Savage

3rd Setmabanning Jacko, FP72674C*, Lic
FP918, f2016, Owner Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe,
Breeder The Late Mr G L Hutton, Rider Miss
H Walsh

**Class 8 Licensed Stallion Or Gelding 4 Years
& Over To Be Shown In Harness**

- 1st Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, Owner
& Exhibitor Mr P Metcalfe, Breeder Mr &
Mrs W S Potter
- 2nd Hades Hill Geronimo, FP72308C*, Lic
FP759, f2013, Owner Mr T Lloyd, Exhibitor
Miss Flo Lloyd Age 17, Breeder Mr W F
Lloyd

**Class 9a Colt, Stallion Or Gelding Any Age,
With Best Set Of Feet Shod**

- 1st Boutime Wooster, FP71820C*, Lic FP720,
f2011, Owner & Breeder Mrs D Vychinski,
Farrier Louis May

**Class 9b Colt, Stallion Or Gelding Any Age
With Best Set Of Feet Unshod**

- No entries

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Class 10

- 1st Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, Owner &
Breeder Mrs J Huddleston, Rider Miss R
Tinkler
- 2nd Lunesdale Dixie, FP71407C*, Lic FP638,
f2009, Owner Mr C A & Miss G A Mallinson,
Breeder Mr A W & The Late Mrs C A
Morland, Rider Georgina Mallinson Age 16
- 3rd Lunesdale Forget Me Not, FP6559, f2018,
Owner Miss B Lewis, Breeder Mr A W & The
Late Mrs C A Morland, Rider Miss B Lewis

**Youngstock Champion
Hardendale Hilfiger**

**Youngstock Reserve
Greenholme Quicksilver**

**Champion Gelding In Hand
Cargenwater Casanova**

**Reserve Gelding In Hand
Carrock Duke**

**Champion Stallion In Hand
Brackenbank Red Ace**

**Reserve Stallion In Hand
Hardendale Hilfiger**

Colour photos in centre section of the Magazine

For the Spring issue...

If you've got a Fell story to tell, pass it on to Claire Simpson or Sue Millard for the Magazine! E-mail claire.halebank@yahoo.co.uk or sue@dawbank.co.uk

Horse of the Year Show, October 2023

The Show takes place as the Magazine goes to press, so results, photographs and stories from HOYS will be reported in the Spring issue.

Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Challenge

The Challenge continues to run until 31st October, so some members are still completing as we go to press. We welcome stories and photographs to put in the Spring issue 2024.

Sandringham Fell Show, 16th April 2023

Another beautiful spring day brought us back to the Sandringham Estate for our Fell pony show in which we welcomed many new faces. We have opened up this show to include the usual Dales and Exmoor ponies, and the Shetlands joined us this year also.

The show ground looked quite different this year as we had more local artisan stalls, a tack stall, and of course the FPS Display Team had an excellent stand with merchandise and information about the Fell Pony.

Sarah Prior very kindly judged for us, and I was the ring steward. We had a very busy ring, with a good turnout of Fell ponies.

The youngstock class featured two local Fell ponies, only a year old, taking second and third place, owned by Julie Southwell, the winner being her two year old Fellacre Lady Fenella. Second place went to Miss Rebecca Rawlinson's two year old Midtown Odin. Fellacre Lady Fenella went on to be the Supreme Fell Champion.

The In hand Fell Stallion class went to Miss Charlotte Bunting with Greenholme Majestic and the In hand Fell mare class was won by Miss Rebecca Rawlinson with Nabside Gracie and Mrs Debbie Lock was in second place with Rivervalley Nimbostratus. The In hand Fell gelding winner was Julie Southwell's Birkettbank Prince, with Ms Aimee Brown's Darrenvale Chancer in second place.

After lunch, we held the ridden classes. The Fell ridden class had five entered with Mrs Debbie Lock's Rivervalley Nimbostratus taking first place. The Traditional Walk and Trot class was won by Tinkers Dream Boy.

We had an exciting new class this year, the Concours d'Elegance, which had a good number of ponies entered. First place went to Ms Aimee Brown with Darrenvale Chancer. The dressage did not see many Fell pony entries but was otherwise very well supported. In the Introductory C test, Waverhead Bracken 2 with Miss Robina Pollitt took first place.

Ridden Fell Champion was Rivervalley Nimbostratus ridden by Mrs Debbie Lock. Ridden Fell Reserve Champion was Rundales Inky ridden by Miss Sharon Pye.

The Shadow 2 cup, kindly donated by Phillipa Kemp-Walsh for the best junior rider, was awarded to Miss Josie-Belle Watts. The Supreme Fell honour of the Sunnybrowe Jack Memorial trophy, kindly donated by Sarah Prior, was presented to Fellacre Lady Fenella and the Supreme Fell Reserve Champion was Nabside Gracie.

"Thank you" to...

Our caterer this year, The Cheese and Pie Man, who supplied our judges and stewards with a very fine lunch, and to our photographer Fae Loudoun who took some some stunning photographs.

The 'as ever gorgeous' rosettes from Sashes by Kate who very kindly donated the Champion of Champions rosettes and sashes and the Murthwaite Need2Roam trophy.

Our generous sponsors, who help us to keep this show up and running. Without them we could not continue.

Our loyal competitors who make the effort to come and support us. And to our very loyal army of helpers who help with the setting up of the show the day before and of the smooth running of the show on the day.

And I cannot forget to give Shepparton Tara a mention as she was not present at the show this year but is very much a big part of it for me.

Lisa Dunger

Results

Class 1 Youngstock

- 1st Ms G Hopkin-Samuels, Fellacre Lady Fenella
- 2nd Miss Rebecca Rawlinson, Midtown Odin
- 3rd Julie Southwell, Greenholme Quintessential
- 4th Julie Southwell, Stenerskeugh Ringo

Class 2 In Hand open youngstock

- 1st Miss Rebecca Rawlinson, Midtown Odin

Champion Youngstock: Fellacre Lady Fenella

Class 3 In hand Fell Mare

- 1st Miss Rebecca Rawlinson, Nabside Gracie
- 2nd Mrs Debbie Lock, Rivervalley Nimbostratus
- 3rd Mrs Gaynor Wareham, Hillhead Port Ellen
- 4th Mr Robert Etheridge, Rundales Inky

Class 4 In hand Fell Gelding

- 1st Julie Southwell, Birkettbank Prince
- 2nd Ms Aimee Brown, Darrenvale Chancer

In Hand Fell Champion: Fellacre Lady Fenella

In Hand Fell Reserve Champion: Nabside Gracie

Class 7 Ridden Fell adult rider

- 1st Mrs Debbie Lock, Rivervalley Nimbostratus
- 2nd Miss Sharon Pye, Rundales Inky
- 3rd Ms Aimee Brown, Darrenvale Chancer
- 4th Lindsey Walton, Townend Kirstin
- 5th Rachel Scarlett, Lydvale Jacob

Class 10 Traditional Walk and Trot

- 1st Miss Millie Metcalf, Tinkers Dream Boy
- 2nd Miss Rebecca Rawlinson, Nabside Gracie
- 3rd Miss Robina Pollitt, Waverhead Bracken 2
- 4th Miss Millie Cole, Larkside Prince Charming

Concours d'Elegance

- 1st Ms Aimee Brown, Darrenvale Chancer
- 2nd Mrs Karen Perkowski, Bacchus Finnbar
- 3rd Mrs Debbie Lock, Rivervalley Nimbostratus
- 4th Miss Rebecca Rawlinson, Nabside Gracie
- 5th Scarlett Bettle, Lime-Light-Lily
- 6th Miss Sharon Pye, Rundales Inky

Ridden Fell Champion: Rivervalley Nimbostratus

Ridden Fell Reserve Champion: Rundales Inky

Supreme Fell Champion: Fellacre Lady Fenella

Supreme Fell Reserve Champion: Nabside Gracie

Champion of Champions: Fellacre Lady Fenella



Champion of Champions at Sandringham Show: Fellacre Lady Fenella, Ms G Hopkin-Samuels, with judge Sarah Prior

The South Cumbria Fell Pony Show, June 2023

Two young novice ridden ponies came through to take the supreme and reserve supreme at the South Cumbria Show. The ridden ring judge Alison Bell had a busy day with nine classes of super ponies to appraise. The Brackenbank stud's David Wilkinson judged the in hand ring, but Chris Grant stepped in to replace him in the judging of the supreme as a Brackenbank bred pony had taken the ridden championship.

The overall supreme championship went to Courtney Savage and Brackenbank Red Ace in a fabulous follow up to the Stallion Show supreme that they had won the previous month. Reserve supreme went to Anna Metcalfe's four-year-old Drybarrows Emillie piloted by Alex Robinson. Both ponies remained foot perfect all through the very hot day and had won their own sections of the traditional walk and trot ridden class, before taking the first and second places in the novice ridden class.

The in hand ring was also full of quality and David awarded the championship to Emily Wilson's three-year-old Greenholme OMG with Nicola Chippendale's two year old Lammerside Red Princess in reserve. Unusually there were no yearlings forward, but other winners in the in hand ring included Charles Stewart's seven-year-old Bybeck Stella who won the mares; Claire Burns' eleven-year-old Greenholme Geoff II the best stallion/gelding; and Nicola Evans' sixteen-year-old Henry won the veteran class.

Back in the ridden ring Greenholme Hania won the best turned out with Susan Bailey and the eighteen year old Ferrymount Tiffany won the veteran ridden with Victoria Barton. The open ridden mare went to the 2022 novice winner Amanda Bridges with Greenholme Juliette; while the open ridden gelding or stallion went to Cargenwater Casanova and Georgina Mallinson (16), who also won the Junior 15-18 years and Junior championship, with Hattie Partington (12) and Dalefoot Rolo in reserve.

Julia Mitchell judged the working hunters where, very unusually for a Cumbrian show, the open class was abandoned due to the very hard ground. Claire Simpson's novice winner Bracklinn Sam took the tricolour, ridden by Vera Praislerova, with the versatile Hattie Partington and Dalefoot Rolo in reserve; the intermediate went to Greenholme Dillon ridden by Marie Kudrnova.

Many thanks to Bev Metcalfe and her team for another super-friendly, relaxed, no nonsense show with classes for everyone, even the dogs!

Claire Simpson

Results

RING 1 RIDDEN CLASSES

Class 1 Best Turned Out Pony & Rider

- 1st Greenholme Hania, FP72285G, f2013, Owner & Rider Miss S Bailey
- 2nd Brackenthwaite Radar, FP72025G, f2012, Owner H Littler & J Casey, Rider A Fox

Class 2 Traditional Ridden, Walk & Trot Only, Class 2A, Mares

- 1st Drybarrows Emillie, FP6826, f2019, Owner Miss A R Metcalfe, Rider A Robinson
- 2nd Greenholme Juliette, FP6133, f2015, Owner & Rider Miss A Bridges

- 3rd Lunesdale Forget Me Not, FP6559, f2018, Owner & Rider Miss B Lewis

Class 2B, Stallions or geldings

- 1st Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Rider Miss C Savage
- 2nd Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, Owner & Rider Mrs C L Burns
- 3rd Brackenthwaite Radar, FP72025G, f2012, Owner H Littler & J Casey, Rider A Fox

Class 3 Novice Ridden Mare, Gelding or Stallion

- 1st Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Rider Miss C Savage

2nd Drybarrows Emillie, FP6826, f2019, Owner Miss A R Metcalfe, Rider A Robinson

3rd Lunesdale Black Rose, FP6396, f2017, Owner & Rider Miss A Kinsella

Class 4 Veteran Ridden, Mare, Gelding or Stallion

1st Ferrymount Tiffany, FP4239, f2005, Owner Mrs J A Barton, Rider Miss V Barton

2nd Rundales Jake, FP70131G, f2003, Owner & Rider Mrs P Brier

Class 5 Junior Ridden, 14 years and under, Mare or Gelding

1st Dalefoot Rolo, FP71934G, f2011, Owner A & H Partington, Rider H Partington

Class 6 Junior Ridden, 15-18 years, Stallion, Mare or Gelding

1st Cargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017, Owner Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson, Rider Miss G Mallinson

Class 7 Open Ridden Mare

1st Greenholme Juliette, FP6133, f2015, Owner & Rider Miss A Bridges

2nd Lunesdale Forget Me Not, FP6559, f2018, Owner & Rider Miss B Lewis

3rd Bybeck Stella, FP6215, f2016, Owner Mr C Stewart, Rider Mr Alasdair Prickett

Class 8 Open Ridden Gelding or Stallion

1st Cargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017, Owner Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson, Rider Miss G Mallinson

2nd Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, Owner & Rider Mrs C L Burns

3rd Rundales Jake, FP70131G, f2003, Owner & Rider Mrs P Brier

RING 2 IN HAND CLASSES

Class 9 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding

- No Entries

Class 10 Two Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding

1st Lammerside Red Princess, FP7121, f2021, Owner Mrs N Chippendale

2nd Bowins Bobby Dazzler, FP73395G, f2021, Owner Ms P Montgomery & Mrs M Williamson

3rd Bybeck Albert, FP72267C, f2021, Owner Mrs H Waterhouse

Class 11 Three Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding

1st Greenholme OMG, FP6971, f2020, Owner Miss E Wilson

2nd Linnel Daffodil, FP6934, f2020, Owner Mrs S A Charlton

Class 12 Mare 4 years Old or over with or without foal at foot

1st Bybeck Stella, FP6215, f2016, Owner Mr C Stewart

2nd Salisbury Diva, FP6222, f2016, Owner Miss C Wood

3rd Llanerchbrook Nutmeg, FP6129, f2015, Owner Miss H M Stewart

Class 13 Gelding or Stallion 4 Years Old or over

1st Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, Owner Mrs C L Burns

2nd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, Owner Miss C Simpson

3rd Brackenthwaite Radar, FP72025G, f2012, Owner H Littler & J Casey

Class 14 Veteran Stallion, Mare or Gelding 15 Years or over not to be shown in any other in hand class

1st Henry, FP71034G, f2007, Owner Miss N Evans

2nd Linnel Dainty, FP4573, f2007, Owner Mrs S A Charlton

3rd Ferrymount Tiffany, FP4239, f2005, Owner Mrs J A Barton

Class 15 Young Handlers

- NO ENTRIES

Class 16 Novice WHP

1st Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Miss V Praislerova

2nd Banksgate Elidor, FP5944, f2013, Owner & Rider Mrs F Hoggarth

3rd Dalefoot Rolo, FP71934G, f2011, Owner A & H Partington, Rider H Partington

Class 17 Intermediate WHP

1st Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms M Kudrnova

Class 18 Open WHP

- Cancelled due to hard ground conditions

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COLOUR PHOTOGRAPH SECTION

Stacy Longridge



Greenholme ponies looking across Bretherdale from Dalefoot

Charlotte Knight and Scotshaven Bella Augusta, Performance Points Award winners in 2022





Stacy Longrigg

Greenholme Ponies out in the high fields above Bretherdale coped very well with all the visitors at the Open Day organised with the help of the Next Generation Group.

The Potter family had marked up the ponies with numbers and provided lists for everybody, which enabled them to identify which ponies they were looking at.



Sarah-Jane Morey



Ruth Eastwood visited Denmark earlier this year. She admired Horshauges Cara Mia who is by the British stallion Ludworth Master.

Karen Hodge's home-bred mare, Kalmara Fantasia, was Supreme Champion at the FPS Southern Show and numerous other shows, and qualified for HOYS.





Lucy Jones

Breed Show Supreme Champion, Mr & Mrs Mallinson's Cargenwater Casanova, ridden by Georgina Mallinson

Breed Show Reserve Supreme Champion, Katie Raine's Dalewin Uptown Jen with her foal Rainesmill Billy Boy



Lucy Jones



*Brackenbank Red Ace shown by Courtney Savage was overall champion at the Stallion & Colt Show (above) and at the South Cumbria Show
Eileen Walker's foal Rackwood Hermione
winning the Rackwood Challenge Cup at Wolsingham Show 2022*





Shadowcroft Pagan Princess and Ally Knight, winners in the Endurance Award Pleasure section.

Supreme champion at the South Cumbria Show, Brackenbank Red Ace ridden by Courtney Savage (left). Reserve supreme was Drybarrows Emillie ridden by Alex Robinson. The judges for the championship were Alison Bell and Chris Grant.



Claire Simpson



Barbara Bell accepted the Peahill Basil Award for the late Waverhead Dazzler II (centre) and Eileen Walker received Points rosettes and trophy for her Rackwood ponies Hermione, Eldorado and Magic's Finale

Competitive Distance Award winner, Janette Gilmour with Lownthwaite Vincent; Driving Points winner, Fiona Bubb's Raisbeck Cappuccino driven by Linda Wiggan



AWARDS AT THE AGM

Full results
were in the Spring issue of the
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Bill Potter, Greenholme, received the Breeders' Trophy; and Edwin Winder received a trophy and rosettes for his Dalewin ponies Xena and Willow

Jane Rawden received the Queen's Trophy on behalf of the Centenary Committee; Paul Metcalfe received the Edinburgh Award for Driving; and Rachel Woodruff received the rosettes won by the family for Junior Performance





Claire Simpson

*Supreme Champion at the South Cumbria Show,
Brackenbank Red Ace, Owner Mr D McDowell, Rider Miss C Savage*

Concours winners at Sandringham Show, Aimee Brown and Darrenvale Chancer



Lisa Dunger

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In Hand Championship

Champion Greenholme OMG, FP6971, f2020, Owner Miss E Wilson

Reserve Lammerside Red Princess, FP7121, f2021, Owner Mrs N Chippendale

Junior Ridden Championship

Champion Cargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017, Owner Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson, Rider Miss G Mallinson

Reserve Dalefoot Rolo, FP71934G, f2011, Owner A & H Partington, Rider H Partington

Ridden Championship

Champion Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Rider Miss C Savage

Reserve Drybarrows Emillie, FP6826, f2019, Owner Miss A R Metcalfe, Rider A Robinson

Supreme Championship

Champion Brackenbank Red Ace, FP72980C*, f2018, Owner Mr D McDowell, Rider Miss C Savage

Reserve Drybarrows Emillie, FP6826, f2019, Owner Miss A R Metcalfe, Rider A Robinson

WHP Championship

Champion Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Miss V Praislerova

Reserve Dalefoot Rolo, FP71934G, f2011, Owner A & H Partington, Rider H Partington

News from Rare Breeds Survival Trust

Just a bit of an overview on the breed at the moment in terms of the data we use for the watchlist. As you know this comes directly from your studbook, and it can be seen in the table on the next page.

The number of breeders who have registered progeny has seen a steady increase since 2019, which is very positive following a period of decline in breeders starting in 2011. Overall, the breed data in both 2021 and 2022 have been very encouraging, with the number of registrations and dams gradually increasing.

The increase seems to be at a controlled rate, which is extremely positive as this way of growth has a greater chance of being sustained. Positively there do not seem to be any erratic fluctuations in the breed's data.

The number of breeders registering progeny is a significant figure, because it is important to ensure that breeding is being undertaken by a number of breeders and not just a select few.

The number of sires and dams is also important. In general the more males used for breeding the better, because it reduces the likelihood of males being overused, and it can help ensure genetic diversity. The Fell Pony has seen improvement during recent years, in terms of the number of breeders, animals registered and the levels of inbreeding. The growth appears to be at a manageable level and shows signs of improvement.

This is very encouraging for the breed and gives a good overview of the hard work being undertaken by the breeders and the society to ensure the success of the breed. It is important to understand the structure of a breed, which includes the geographic dispersion of the breed, because geographic concentration of a breed in a particular area can increase the risk from diseases.

Reviewing where the breeders are located, alongside where the various genetics are represented, is an important exercise to undertake.

Year	Breeders	Females Reg.	Males Reg.	Sires	Dams	Effective Population
2000	121	150	147	74	272	232
2001	101	125	111	76	227	227
2002	74	99	104	56	201	175
2003	115	143	151	86	273	261
2004	133	227	189	80	363	262
2005	137	173	165	79	322	253
2006	123	140	150	78	288	245
2007	139	179	167	88	324	276
2008	157	176	207	90	360	288
2009	162	183	183	102	361	318
2010	142	165	162	96	320	295
2011	125	158	157	85	312	267
2012	117	151	148	83	289	257
2013	111	113	117	77	227	229
2014	92	93	97	71	187	205
2015	90	98	99	68	197	202
2016	94	95	107	70	201	207
2017	92	127	109	74	233	224
2018	114	137	139	73	271	230
2019	101	125	100	71	223	215
2020	104	132	116	81	244	243
2021	111	136	129	81	264	247
2022	112	138	136	87	271	263

Overall, the breed data are encouraging and illustrate that the breed has shown signs of improvement in recent years.

Tom Blunt

Senior Conservation Adviser

RBST, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, CV8 2LG

Conservation & Grazing - Survey Now Closed

The Grazing Survey is now closed, and we are working through the responses and expect to have useful information from the data by Spring.

The Fell Pony Society 50th Annual Breed Show 2023

The Fell Pony Society held its 50th annual Breed Show in the beautiful setting of Dalemain near Ullswater, Cumbria, by kind permission of the Hasell-McCosh family.

The first Breed Show was held in the same setting in 1970, and since then the show has been held at Brougham Hall Farm and at Streatlam Farm, Barnard Castle, before returning to Dalemain in 2013. The show was cancelled in 1998 and 2011 due to bad weather, in 2001 due to foot and mouth disease and in 2020 due to Covid19. Fortunately there were no such problems this year, although a close eye had been required for the weather forecast.

The supreme champion in 1970 had been Waverhead Peggy shown by the late Jim Bell, who was one of thirty three exhibitors. The Waverhead stud name is still very much to the fore in the Society; Jim's daughter Barbara Bell is the Society's President, the Waverhead Cup is awarded annually to the winner of a junior ridden class, and the Jim Bell Memorial Trophy is given to the Reserve Supreme.

This year eighty exhibitors entered, and a good crowd of spectators watched the beautifully presented ponies being shown in hand, ridden and performing in the dressage and working hunter rings. The classes were judged by: Christine Robinson (mares, foals, stallion progeny and veterans in hand); David Lovegreen (geldings, youngstock and mare progeny); David Wilkinson (foot classes); Robin Avery (junior ridden, traditional and Picton novice stallions/geldings, Picton novice mares); Debbie Chadwick (nursery novice, open ridden, traditional ridden mares); Kev Turner (driving); Jean Ward (other junior classes); Barbara Bell (fancy dress), Catherine Heaney (dressage); Russell Sutcliffe and Mrs C Pickering (WHP). The relevant judges came together to award the various championships.

Fortunately, the weather during the day was rather better than had been expected, with the bad weather waiting until the supreme championship to put in an appearance, but the heavy rain certainly didn't dampen the spirits of young rider Georgina Mallinson, who came out on top with her lovely six year old dapple grey gelding Cargenwater Casanova (Casper). Sixteen year old Georgina has had a fantastic season with Casper but was astonished and delighted to take the supreme accolade at this prestigious show. On their way to the supreme the duo won their open ridden class; the open ridden championship; best turned out of the day; and the overall ridden championship. Earlier in the day Casper won the in hand class for young adult geldings in hand and the adult gelding championship when shown by Georgina's father, Barry.

Georgina managed to smile throughout her very busy day, despite having sprained her ankle slipping off the horsebox ramp early in the morning. It was only after she had achieved the supreme championship that she had time to ask the first aiders for treatment!

The reserve supreme went to Katie Raine's Dalewin Uptown Jen, a six year old mare that had taken the mare and the overall adult in hand championship with her strong colt foal at foot. The foal, Rainesmill Billy Boy, won the colt foal and overall best foal awards, and was still full of running in the afternoon's supreme championship. Katie's young fillies were also in the ribbons during the day and together won the stallion progeny class for their sire Lunesdale Black Ice II.

John Cockbain won the class for young adult mares and took the reserve champion mare and reserve overall champion in hand awards, with the excellent four year old Carrock Daenerys.

Nicola Chippendale and Lammerside Red Princess took the youngstock championship;

Gilly Chippendale's Lammerside Eclipse won the prize for the best three year old and was joined by Lammerside Lady of The Lake and Lammerside Hazel to win the mare progeny class for their dam Stockleylane Annie.

The Potter family had a great day with their young Greenholme ponies including the yearling colt, Greenholme Quirky, who took the reserve in the youngstock championship and Greenholme Rose II won the filly foals.

Bethan Lewis from Kirkby Stephen took the reserve in the open ridden championship with Lunesdale Forget Me Not, winning both the open and traditional ridden classes for mares on their way. The class for traditional stallions or geldings was headed by Clare Wigley's stallion Grahamsley Cracker Jack ridden by Miss L Hall; this pairing also won the Prelim 12 dressage. Bethan Lewis also drove Paul Metcalfe's Greenholme Dec to victory in the driving class. The cone driving class was won by Flo Goodbrand-Lloyd with Hades Hill Perry.

Rundales Trooper had another very successful and busy day, winning the lead rein class with Sumalyra Sarwar, the junior rider under 18 years with Hollie McGauley (16) and the junior ridden championship and reserve overall ridden championship with Hollie. Rosie Tinkler (17) took the reserve champion junior ridden with Juliet Huddleston's Rosefell T Reg.

Other winners in the hotly contested youngstock in hand classes included Stacy Longrigg, who won the yearling fillies with her first homebred Fell pony Horngill Annie; and Emily Wilson won the prize for the best three year old filly bred by a native heath breeder, with Greenholme OMG.

In the young colt/gelding classes Rackwood Gambler won the two year old colt or gelding class for Mrs F Wainwright; and Birkcross Midnight Magic won the three year old colt or gelding for Miss JE Singleton.

In the classes for older ponies Rundales Princess won the in hand class for mares eight years and above for Ann Marie Troy, who also won the rosette for the oldest rider on the day; Townend Libra won the gelding eight years and upwards for Mrs K Bennett; and Edwin Winder won the class for mares with a filly foal at foot with Dalewin Uptown Girl.

In the veteran classes Rebecca Morland took the in hand with Greenholme Buttercup and Georgia Ellis took the ridden with Harthouse Hillman and the best unshod foot class. Boutime Esther took the best foot shod for Deb Vychinski, farrier Louis May.

In the novice ridden classes, both the nursery novice and Picton novice mares classes were headed by Townend Sherry ridden by Dianne Milburn. Miss M Jackson took the Picton novice stallions or geldings class with Moathouse Jack The Lad.

Elsewhere in the junior classes Eva Carnochan (11) and Bowthorne Dorothy won the ridden class for children under 14 years and reserve in the best turned out. Jack Greener won the Young Handlers with Craggs Stardust; and Emily Cheetham the class for young judges and the Packway Bellman trophy for the most points amassed in performance classes during the day.

Ivy Wrigley (4) won the fancy dress class for the second year running with Murthwaite Ripley, and this year had created a wonderful depiction of Frozen with Ivy as Elsa and Mum Emma as Olaf. Ivy also won the prize for the youngest rider.

In the dressage ring Sally Atkinson won the Introductory with Catterlen Gary's Lad, and Louise Younger with Wellbrow Dodger won the Novice 24.

In the working hunter classes Pam Brown piloted Greenholme Jumping Jack to win the intermediate class and take the overall championship and also won the beginners with Claire Simpson's Dalewin Vesper.

Fran Hoggarth won the novice class and took the reserve championship. Greenholme Dillon won the open class with Marie Kudrnova.

The Society would like to offer grateful thanks to the Hasell-McCosh family, to all our generous sponsors, judges, competitors, stewards and to all the volunteers who so generously give their free time to make the show happen. Without these people there would be no show. Many thanks, everyone.

Claire Simpson

JUDGES

Classes 1 - 8	Mrs C H Robinson
Classes 9 - 17	Mr D Lovegreen
Classes 18 (a) and (b)	Mr D Wilkinson
Classes 19 - 20	Mr R Avery
Classes 21 - 26	Miss D Chadwick
Classes 27 - 31	Mr R Avery
Classes 32 - 33	Mr K Turner
Classes 34 - 35	Mrs J Ward
Class 36	Miss B Bell
Classes 37A- 37C	Cath Heaney
Classes 38 - 41	Mr R Sutcliffe & Mrs C Pickering
Class 42	Mr R Sutcliffe

Results

IN HAND CLASSES

Class 1 Mare 4 to 7 years old

- 1st Carrock Daenerys, FP6736, f2019, S: Carrock Stride The Nite, D: Townend Sugar, Owner Mr J W Cockbain
- 2nd Lunesdale Burnt Sugar, FP6235, f2016, S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Stennerskeugh Amanda May III, Owner Mr A W Morland
- 3rd Boutime Esther, FP6374, f2017, S: Boutime Wooster, D: Sleddale Rosebud, Owner: Mrs D Vychinski

Class 2 Mare 8 years old and upwards

- 1st Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S: Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner: Mrs A M Troy
- 2nd Thornbeck Amy, FP5228, f2010, S: Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Lunesdale Limelight, Owner: Mrs J Cheetham
- 3rd Townend Sherry, FP6024, f2014, S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Shandy, Owner: Mrs D Milburn

Class 3 Mare 4 years old and upward with own colt foal at foot

- 1st Dalewin Uptown Jen, FP6455, f2017, S: Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Amy, Owner Miss K Raine
- 2nd Greenrivers Ruth Lea, FP6205, f2015, S: Bolanken Basil, D: Dalehead Hannah, Owner: Ms E Drewett
- 3rd Firbank Special Offer, FP6509, f2018, S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Murthwaite Fern, Owner Mrs S Longrigg

Class 4 Colt Foal

- 1st Rainesmill Billy Boy, f2023, S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Dalewin Uptown Jen, Owner: Miss K Raine
- 2nd Greenholme Rambo, FP73690C, f2023 S: Greenholme Orlando, D: Murthwaite Westerly, Owner: RJ & BK Potter
- 3rd Horngill Bonzer, FP73694C, f2023 S: Drybarrows Endurance, D: Firbank Special Offer, Owner: Mrs S Longrigg

Class 5 Mare 4 year old and upward with own filly foal at foot

- 1st Dalewin Uptown Girl, FP6421, f2017, S: Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Fern, Owner Mr E Winder
- 2nd Greenholme Kipper, FP6238, f2016 S: Greenholme Diego, D: Salisbury Pippa, Owner: Mrs B & Miss A Metcalfe
- 3rd Carrock Lilly, FP6278, f2016 S: Boutime Wooster, D: Townend Sugar, Owner: Mr JW Cockbain

Class 6 Filly Foal

- 1st Greenholme Rose II, FP7374, f2023, S: Greenholme Orlando, D: Greenholme Forget-Me-Not, Owner: RJ & BK Potter
- 2nd Carrock "Filly", f2023, S: Carrock Blackthorn, D: Carrock Lilly, Owner: Mr JW Cockbain
- 3rd Dalewin Aurelia, f2023, S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Dalewin Uptown Girl, Owner: Mr E Winder

Class 7 Group Class Stallion Progeny

- 1st Lunesdale Black Ice II FP71130C
Rainesmill Ada, FP7243, f2022, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Fern,
Owner: Miss K Raine
Rainesmill Edna, FP6858, f2020, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Fellsides Special
Edition, Owner Miss K Raine
Rainesmill Black Betty, FP6884, f2020, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Amy,
Owner: Miss K Raine
- 2nd Heltondale Prince V FP72772C*
Lammerside Hazel, FP7059, f2021, S:
Heltondale Prince V D: Stockleyle Annie,
Owner: Mrs G Chippendale
Lammerside Red Princess, FP7121, f2021,
S: Heltondale Prince V, D: Murthwaite
Nicola Adams, Owner: Mrs N Chippendale
Lammerside Eclipse, FP6907, f2020, S:
Heltondale Prince V, D: Stockleyle Annie,
Owner Mrs G Chippendale
- 3rd Lownthwaite Sant-Alfio FP71846C*
Chestermann Holly, FP6864*, f2019, S:
Lownthwaite Sant-Alfio, D: Chestermann
Star, Owner: Mrs N Gwynne
Chestermann Imogen, FP7322, f2022, S:
Lownthwaite Sant-Alfio, D: Chestermann
Star, Owner: Mrs N Gwynne
Chestermann Jet, FP73645C, f2022, S:
Lownthwaite Sant-Alfio, D: Graceland Tilly,
Owner : Mrs N Gwynne

Class 8 Veteran Mare or Gelding 15 years and over

- 1st Greenholme Buttercup, FP4566, f2007, S:
Lunesdale Redstart, D: Heltondale May Dew
VIII, Owner: Miss RL Morland
- 2nd Lownthwaite Heidi, FP4794, f2008, S:
Peepings Raven, D: Lownthwaite Bramble,
Owner Mrs AW Bell
- 3rd Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S:
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa,
Owner: Miss G Ellis

Class 9 Gelding 4 to 7 years old

- 1st Gargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017,
S: Murthwaite Misty's Boy, D: Lune Valley
Pearl, Owner: Mr G & Mrs GHB Mallinson
- 2nd Stenerskeugh Nicholas, FP73013G, f2018,
S: Lunesdale Ace of Spades, D:
Stenerskeugh Amanda May V, Owner Mr R
N Beaty
- 3rd Moathouse Jack The Lad, FP72873G, f2017,

S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Murthwaite Sheila
Mary, Owner & Rider Miss M Jackson

Class 10 Gelding 8 years and upwards

- 1st Townend Libra, FP72446G, f2014, S:
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Sleddale Lib V,
Owner & Rider Mrs K Bennett
- 2nd Darrenvale Cavalier, FP71887G, f2011, S:
Hesket Jock, D: Darrenvale Storm Girl,
Owner: Miss Z O'Sullivan-Rowles
- 3rd Catterlen Gary's Lad, FP72048G, f2012, S:
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Catterlen Sherry,
Owner: Mrs SJ Atkinson

Class 11 Yearling Filly

- 1st Horngill Annie, FP7208, f2022, S:
Drybarrows Endurance, D: Firbank Special
Offer, Owner: Mrs S Longrigg
- 2nd Setmabanning Rita, FP7361, f2022, S:
Carrock Stride The Night, D: Drybarrows
Blencathra, Owner: Mr MG Fearon
- 3rd Rainesmill Ada, FP7243, f2022, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Fern,
Owner: Miss K Raine

Class 12 Yearling Colt or Gelding

- 1st Greenholme Quirky, FP73567C, f2022, S:
Greenholme Lancelot, D: Lunesdale Anna,
Owner: RJ & BK Potter
- 2nd Greenholme Quicksilver, FP73564C, f2022,
S: Greenholme Lancelot, D: Greenholme
Forget-Me-Not, Owner: RJ & BK Potter
- 3rd Chestermann Jet, FP73645C, f2022, S:
Lownthwaite Sant-Alfio, D: Graceland Tilly,
Owner : Mrs N Gwynne

Class 13 Filly 2 years old

- 1st Lammerside Red Princess, FP7121, f2021,
S: Heltondale Prince V, D: Murthwaite
Nicola Adams, Owner: Mrs N Chippendale
- 2nd Lammerside Hazel, FP7059, f2021, S:
Heltondale Prince V D: Stockleyle Annie,
Owner: Mrs G Chippendale
- 3rd Globetrotter Libelle, FP7117, f2021, S:
Globetrotter Nimrod, D: Towford
Harmarnie, Owner: Mrs E Robinson

Class 14 Colt or Gelding 2 years old

- 1st Rackwood Gambler, FP3441G, f2021, S:
Dalewin Victor, D: Rackwood Melody,
Owner: Mrs F Wainwright
- 2nd Bowins Bobby Dazzler, FP73395G, f2021, S:
Brocklebank Absinthe, D: Rundales Queen
Elley, Owner: Miss P Montgomery & Mrs M
Williamson

Class 15 Filly 3 years old

- 1st Lammerside Eclipse, FP6907, f2020, S:
Heltondale Prince V, D: Stockleylane Annie,
Owner Mrs G Chippendale
- 2nd Greenholme OMG, FP6971, f2020, S:
Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Winnie,
Owner: Miss E Wilson
- 3rd Rainesmill Black Betty, FP6884, f2020, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Amy,
Owner: Miss K Raine

Class 16 Colt or Gelding 3 years old

- 1st Birkcross Midnight Magic, FP73258G, f2020,
S: Carrock Stride The Night, D: Fitzview
Poppy, Owner: Miss JE Singleton
- 2nd Sleights Con Artist, FP73230G, f2020, S:
Lunesdale Dylan, D: Littletree Rhianna,
Owner: Mrs L Hughes

Class 17 Group Class Mare Progeny

- 1st 'Stockleylane Annie'
Lammerside Eclipse, FP6907, f2020, S:
Heltondale Prince V, D: Stockleylane Annie,
Owner Mrs G Chippendale
Lammerside Lady of the Lake, FP7295,
f2022, S: Murthwaite Barklay, D: Stockley
Lane Annie, Owner: Mrs G Chippendale
Lammerside Hazel, FP7059, f2021, S:
Heltondale Prince V D: Stockleylane Annie,
Owner: Mrs G Chippendale
- 2nd 'Hades Hill Lucky Pearl'
Hades Hill Pansy III, FP5921, f2013, S:
Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Hades Hill Lucky
Pearl, Owner: Mr T Lloyd
Hades Hill Little Pearl, FP73034G, f2018, S:
Hades Hill Geronimo, D: Hades Hill Lucky
Pearl, Owner: Mr T Lloyd
Hades Hill Wonker, FP73459G, f2021, S:
Hades Hill Geronimo, D: Hades Hill Lucky
Pearl, Owner: Mr T Lloyd

Class 18(A) Pony any age, with the best set of feet - shod

- 1st Boutime Esther, FP6374, f2017, S: Boutime
Wooster, D: Sleddale Rosebud, Owner: Mrs
D Vychinski
- 2nd Murthwaite Ripley, FP4990, f2009, S:
Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Heltondale
Misty IV, Owner Mrs C Wrigley

Class 18(B) Pony any age, with the best set of feet - unshod

- 1st Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S:
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa,
Owner Miss G Ellis

- 2nd Greenholme Lady Hawk, FP6390, f2017, S:
Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme
Hawkeye The Noo, Owner Miss H Mawrey
- 3rd Darrenvale Cavalier, FP71887G, f2011, S:
Hesket Jock, D: Darrenvale Storm Girl,
Owner: Miss Z O'Sullivan-Rowles

JUNIOR RIDDEN

Class 19 Lead Rein

- 1st Rundales Trooper, FP72278G, f2013, S:
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Heather, Owner:
Miss L Cassell, Rider: Sumaiyra Sarwar(9)
- 2nd Lownthwaite Heidi, FP4794, f2004, S:
Peepings Raven, D: Lownthwaite Bramble,
Owner Mrs A Bell, Rider Sarah Bell (6)
- 3rd Murthwaite Ripley, FP4990, f2009, S:
Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Heltondale
Misty IV, Owner Mrs C Wrigley, Rider Ivy
Wrigley (4)

Class 20 First Ridden

NO ENTRIES

RIDDEN CLASSES

Class 21 Nursery Novice

- 1st Townend Sherry, FP6024, f2014, S:
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Shandy,
Owner & Rider: Mrs D Milburn
- 2nd Lunesdale Black Pepper, FP72622G, f2016,
S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Lunesdale Ice
Queen, Owner: Mrs A Baybutt, Rider: Miss L
Craven
- 3rd Dalefoot Yazz, FP6663, f2018, S: Salisbury
McCoy, D: Dalefoot Scooby, Owner: Miss B
Potter, Rider: Miss I Atherton

Class 22 Traditional Ridden - Walk and Trot Only

- 1st Lunesdale Forget-Me-Not, FP6559, f2018,
S: Lunesdale Beckham, D: Clifford Silver
Lady, Owner & Rider Miss B Lewis
- 2nd Townend Sherry, FP6024, f2014, S:
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Shandy,
Owner & Rider: Mrs D Milburn
- 3rd Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S:
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner &
Rider: Mrs A M Troy

Class 23 Riding Class For Stallions or Geldings 4 years old & upwards

- 1st Cargenwater Casanova, FP72857G, f2017,
S: Murthwaite Misty's Boy, D: Lune Valley
Petal, Owner Mr & Mrs G H B Mallinson,
Rider Georgina Mallinson

- 2nd Darrenvale Cavalier, FP71887G, f2011, S:
Hesket Jock, D: Darrenvale Storm Girl,
Owner & Rider: Miss Z O'Sullivan-Rowles
- 3rd Catterlen Gary's Lad, FP72048G, f2012, S:
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Catterlen Sherry,
Owner & Rider: Mrs SJ Atkinson

Class 24 Riding Class For Mares 4 years old and upwards

- 1st Lunesdale Forget-Me-Not, FP6559, f2018,
S: Lunesdale Beckham, D: Clifford Silver
Lady, Owner & Rider Miss B Lewis
- 2nd Bybeck Stella, FP6215, f2016, S: Wellbrow
Lancashire Lad, D: Murthwaite Fern,
Owner: Mr C Stewart, Rider: A Prickett
- 3rd Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S:
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner &
Rider: Mrs A M Troy

Class 25 Pairs Ridden

NO ENTRIES

Class 26 Ridden Veteran Class - Mare or Gelding to be 15 years or over

- 1st Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S:
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa,
Owner & Rider: Miss G Ellis
- 2nd Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004,
Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly
Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger

Class 27 Ridden Class for Mares or Geldings 4 years old and upwards

- 1st Bowthorne Dorothy, FP5908, f2013, S:
Restar Prince Alberto, D: Bowthorne Marie,
Owner: Miss E Carnochan, Rider: Eva
Carnochan (Age 11)

Class 28 Ridden Class for Mares Or Geldings 4 years old and upwards

- 1st Rundales Trooper, FP72278G, f2013, S:
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Heather, Owner
Miss L Cassell, Rider Hollie McGauley (Age
16)
- 2nd Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, S:
Murthwaite Mr. Right, D: Bybeck Cherry
Blossom, Owner: Mrs J Huddleston, Rider:
Rosie Tinkler (Age 17)
- 3rd Thornbeck Amy, FP5228, f2010, S:
Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Lunesdale
Limelight, Owner: Mrs J Cheetham, Rider:
Emily Cheetham (Age 15)

Class 29 Traditional Ridden - Walk & Trot Only

- 1st Grahamsley Cracker Jack FP71381C*,
f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D:

Foalsyke April, Owner: Mrs C Wigley, Rider:
Miss L Hall

- 2nd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S:
Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Townend Truffle II,
Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider: Ms V
Praislerova

- 3rd Townend Libra, FP72446G, f2014, S:
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Sleddale Lib V,
Owner & Rider Mrs K Bennett

Class 30 Ridden Class for Novice Stallions or Geldings 4 year old and upwards

- 1st Moathouse Jack The Lad, FP72873G, f2017,
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Murthwaite Sheila
Mary, Owner & Rider Miss M Jackson
- 2nd Dalefoot Yogi, FP73058C*, f2018, S:
Greenholme Warrior, D: Dalefoot Bryna,
Owner: Miss L Cassell, Rider: Hollie
McGauley
- 3rd Dalewin Vesper, FP7292C*, f2018, S:
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Grace,
Owner: Miss C Simpson, Rider: Miss P
Brown

Class 31 Ridden Class for Novice Mare 4 years old and upwards

- 1st Townend Sherry, FP6024, f2014, S:
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Shandy,
Owner & Rider: Mrs D Milburn
- 2nd Dalefoot Yazz, FP6663, f2018, S: Salisbury
McCoy, D: Dalefoot Scooby, Owner: Miss B
Potter, Rider: Miss I Atherton
- 3rd Thornbeck Amy, FP5228, f2010, S:
Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Lunesdale
Limelight, Owner: Mrs J Cheetham, Rider:
Emily Cheetham

Class 32 Driving Class - Stallion, Mare or Gelding 4 years old and upwards

- 1st Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, S:
Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme
Vanessa, Owner: Mr P Metcalfe, Exhibitor:
Bethan Lewis
- 2nd Midtown Jemima, FP6140, f2015, S:
Brackenbank Oscar, D: Wellbrow Roxanne,
Owner Mrs S Hogg, Exhibitor: Mr M Hogg

Class 33 Cone Driving

- 1st Hades Hill Perry, FP4308, f2005, S:
Lunesdale Mercury, D: Heltondale Polly
Perkins XII, Owner & Exhibitor: Flo
Goodbrand-Lloyd
- 2nd Midtown Jemima, FP6140, f2015, S:
Brackenbank Oscar, D: Wellbrow Roxanne,
Owner Mrs S Hogg, Exhibitor Mr M Hogg

3rd Hades Hill Little Prince, FP72812G, f2017, S: Hades Hill Geronimo, D: Hades Hill Lucky Pearl, Owner & Exhibitor : Mr T Lloyd

Class 34 Young Handlers

- 1st Craggs Stardust, FP3482, f2000, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Biglands Bonny, Owner: Mr JE Greener, Handler: Jack Greener (9)
- 2nd Rundales Trooper, FP72278G, f2013, S: Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Heather, Owner Miss L Cassell, Handler Hollie McGauley (16)
- 3rd Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme Adele, Owner: Miss C Simpson, Handler Anya Lennon (Age 14)

Class 35 Young Judges

1st Emily Cheetham (15)

Class 36 Fancy Dress

- 1st Murthwaite Ripley, FP4990, f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Heltondale Misty IV, Owner Mrs C Wrigley, Rider Ivy Wrigley
- 2nd Lownthwaite Heidi, FP4794, f2008, S: Peepings Raven, D: Lownthwaite Bramble, Owner: Mrs A Bell, Exhibitors: Sarah, Mary & Alison Bell
- 3rd Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner: Mr P Metcalfe, Rider: Harry Milburn

DRESSAGE CLASSES

Class 37A BD Introductory A Test

- 1st Catterlen Garys Lad, FP72048G, f2014, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Catterlen Sherry, Owner & Rider: Mrs SJ Atkinson
- 2nd Thornbeck Amy, FP5228, f2010, S: Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Lunesdale Limelight, Owner: Mrs J Cheetham, Rider: Emily Cheetham

Class 37B Prelim 12

- 1st Grahamsley Cracker Jack FP71381C*, f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Foalsyke April, Owner: Mrs C Wigley, Rider: Miss L Hall
- 2nd Wellbrow Dodger, FP71672G*, f2010, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger
- 3rd Banksgate Elidor, FP5944, f2013, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Poppy,

Owner & Rider: Mrs F Hoggarth

Class 37C Novice 24

- 1st Wellbrow Dodger, FP71672G*, f2010, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger
- 2nd Bowthorne Dorothy, FP5908, f2013, S: Restar Prince Alberto, D: Bowthorne Marie, Owner: Miss E Carnochan, Rider: Eva Carnochan (Age 11)
- 3rd Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004, Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger

WORKING HUNTER PONY & CLEAR ROUND JUMPING CLASSES

Class 38 Beginners

- 1st Dalewin Vesper, FP7292C*, f2018, S: Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Grace, Owner: Miss C Simpson, Rider: Miss P Brown

Class 39 Novice Pony

- 1st Banksgate Elidor, FP5944, f2013, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Poppy, Owner & Rider: Mrs F Hoggarth
- 2nd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S: Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Townend Truffle II, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms V Praislerova
- 3rd Townend Bouncer, FP71867G, f2011, S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Blossom, Owner & Rider Miss R Emmerson

Class 40 Intermediate Pony

- 1st Greenholme Jumping Jack, FP72506G, f2015, S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme Susan, Owner: Mrs C Wigley, Rider: Miss P Brown
- 2nd Banksgate Elidor, FP5944, f2013, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Poppy, Owner & Rider: Mrs F Hoggarth
- 3rd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S: Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Townend Truffle II, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms V Praislerova

Class 41 Open Pony

- 1st Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme Adele, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider: Ms M Kudrnova

Class 42 Training Stakes Competition

- 1st Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S:
Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Townend Truffle II,
Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms V
Praislerova
- 2nd Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S:
Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme
Adele, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider: Ms M
Kudrnova
- 3rd Banksgate Elidor, FP5944, f2013, S:
Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Poppy,
Owner & Rider: Mrs F Hoggarth

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Lakeland Cup

- Champion Lammerside Red Princess
Reserve Greenholme Quirky

Shawfell Silhouette Memorial Cup

Rainesmill Billy Boy

FPS Challenge Cup

Lammerside Eclipse

Farleton Trophy

Cargenwater Casanova

Stennerskeugh Joe Trophy

Townend Libra

Alan Shuttleworth Trophy

- Champion Dalewin Uptown Jen
Reserve Carrock Daenerys

The Tufton Silver Challenge Trophy

Cargenwater Casanova

The Jim Bell Memorial Trophy

Dalewin Uptown Jen

The Sylvia Mary McCosh Memorial Rose Bowl

Mrs E & Mrs J Martin

Heltondale Lucy X Cup

Greenholme OMG

Brackenbank Trophy

- Champion Dalewin Uptown Jen
Reserve Carrock Daenerys

RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Greenfield Memorial Trophy

- Champion Moathouse Jack The Lad
Reserve Dalefoot Yogi

The Littletree Trophy

- Champion Rundales Trooper
Reserve Rosefell T Reg

The Carrock Pollyanna Trophy

- Champion Cargenwater Casanova
Reserve Lunesdale Forget-Me-Not

The Toby Tankard

- Champion Cargenwater Casanova
Reserve Rundales Trooper

The Briar Trophy

Cargenwater Casanova

Lunesdale War Dance Trophy (WHP)

- Champion Greenholme Jumping Jack
Reserve Banksgate Elidor

The Packway Bellman Trophy

Thornbeck Amy
Emily Cheetham

FPS Southern Show 2023

The main concern before the 2023 Southern Show was the hot weather. The show has only been cancelled twice in its 33-year history; once due to wet ground and once because of the Covid pandemic. The first half of September 2023 was breaking temperature records and in the week before the show we rearranged the schedule to move classes earlier, bought sponges and buckets for pony sloshing, and issued stern warnings about sunscreen and considering travel plans.

The show had healthy entries, so much so that we split the Novice Traditional Ridden Class into Mares and Geldings & Stallions, though there were a number of withdrawals in the days before the show. Evidently people with lengthy journeys to the show had very sensibly decided they didn't want to risk getting stuck in a jam in the heat.

On show day itself judges Pam Cox and Peter Boustead said that competitors could show/ride in shirt sleeves, and that ponies would be asked for reduced efforts. The morning did start to warm up as the in-hand classes got underway, but there was a welcome breeze, and then a cloudy afternoon meant the temperature didn't reach the heights we'd feared. Some riders even put their jackets on for the ridden classes. And as the supreme championship was decided, it started raining.

There were strong in-hand mare classes, with Karen Hodge's Kalmara Fantasia taking the mare championship, with Deb Vychinski's Boutime Esther reserve. Gelding champion was Fiona Earle's Meres Jamboree. Fiona homed the pony from the Blue Cross two years ago, as a non-ridden companion due to behavioural issues, but since then the pair have achieved successes in the show ring and in the Fell Pony Society mileage challenges. In the Youngstock classes there was a family reunion in the foal class, where three out of four foals entered were by Deb Vychinski's stallion Boutime Wooster. Lorna Brooks' yearling filly Bracklinn Myrtle took the youngstock championship. Kalmara Fantasia went on to take the in-hand championship, with Bracklinn Myrtle reserve.

The in-hand mares also swept the board in the ridden classes, with Boutime Esther winning both the Novice Traditional Ridden (walk/trot only) and Ridden classes, and Kalmara Fantasia the Open. This was six-year old Boutime Esther's first ridden showing experience, and breeder and rider Deb Vychinski was delighted with her performance. Kalmara Fantasia took the ridden championship, with Georgia Norton's Mosshey Centurion as reserve. Kalmara Fantasia went on to take the supreme championship, with Boutime Esther as reserve.



Karen Hodge

Champion Kalmara Fantasia and Reserve Boutime Esther, with judges Pam Cox and Peter Boustead

Belgravia won the ridden section, securing her win in the Groovy Hooves championship (for ponies taking part in dressage, WHP and handy pony). The in-hand section was won by Rachel Douglas' Ringstone General, the only pony to go through the curtain without a second look.

Despite the dire predictions for the weather, we had a lovely day. Next year's show is 8th September 2024, and we'll keep our fingers crossed that everybody will be able to join us.

Georgina Blair

Fell Pony Society Display Team 2023

After last year's somewhat epic Centenary season, in 2023 things have returned to a more normal routine of shows and events. No doubt it's a relief for our ponies, and it's definitely easier for our Team members and support crew.

We started off in April with three of us journeying south to the Sandringham Horse and (Fell) Pony Show with the stand. We had a lovely weekend and were made welcome by those attending the show. It is always nice to catch up with our members from further afield, and they appreciate being able to see - and of course purchase - Fell Pony Society merchandise.

June saw the whole Team at Country Fest, Kendal, a little closer to home. We gave the first performance of our new Display with the ponies, which is a short pageant, (we have one "Historical" and one "Modern") followed by a Musical Ride. This involves several changes of costume for the riders, and tack and accessories for the ponies, but all coped well. As it is a two day show, we were able to do the Historical on the Saturday and the Modern on Sunday.

At the beginning of August we attended Cartmel Show with the stand. Sadly, the weather was pretty grim, but once again it was lovely to meet a great many interested people on the day, and have a chance to spread the Fell Pony message.

August is always a busy month for Shows in Cumbria, and for us too. The last two weekends saw us at the Lakeland Country Fair at Torver, followed by the Blackcombe Country Fair, at Bootle. At both events riders and ponies performed well and the stand was kept busy with visitors.



Christine Robinson and Rachael Brunskill-Tarn of the FPS Display Team with two USA Fell pony enthusiasts, Lori Welbig and Kimberly Dunn, at Westmorland Show

The Westmorland County Show is a big favourite with many, ourselves included, so off we went with the stand for the two days. Once again we were kept busy, and although there was a minor storm through the night on Wednesday, the weather managed to stay fine during the day.

This year our final event is yet to come, when we are hopefully attending a Market organised by the RBST at Barrow in Furness. It is a Christmas event to celebrate Rare Breeds and their produce. We will have the stand there, with Fell Pony goodies for sale. Fingers crossed for a nice day, and if you are in the area, don't forget to come and see us.

As usual a very big Thank You! To all our Team members, their families and those of you that help us along the way with your support.



from a video sent to the Team

Christine Robinson

The Musical Ride at Countryfest



Our ground crew go to immense lengths to keep the show on the road! Simon Ellis and Ian Brunskill investigate a side panel rubbing on the tyre of the new Team trailer.

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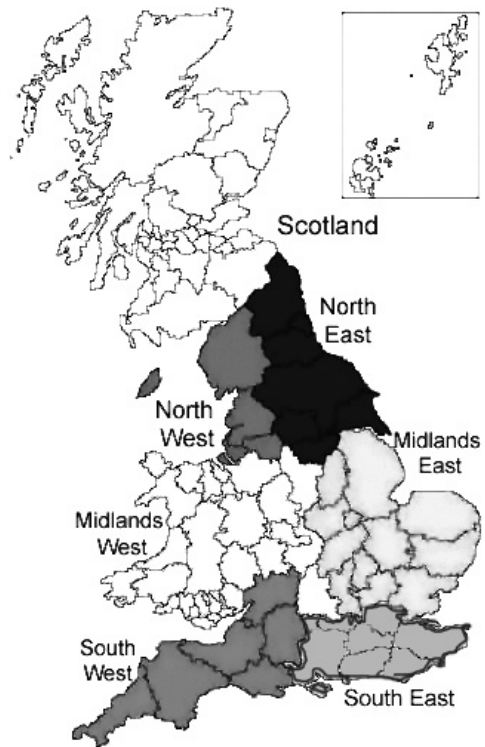
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North East Area Support Group

Autumn has arrived far too early for most of us and I cannot help but think we have been cheated of a proper summer. We were making hay at the end of May, which had to be wrapped because it was so early, followed by a very dry and hot June. July and August were wet so all normal hay crops were under threat and allowed to grow for an extra four to six weeks. All outdoor show plans were very much last minute, which included the FPS Breed Show, as I had to decide if it was wise to take the wagon and risk getting stuck in the mud or a 4x4 and trailer and only two ponies. Then we were blessed with one week of sunshine in September, allowing most upland farms to get their winter feed. Harvest has been a nightmare but I am sure that the crops will get sown in due course. Unfortunately, I think pony feed prices this winter will reflect this unpredictable and dreadful summer.

Now to happier times at the beginning of April, when we held a 'Training Day' at Marwood Equestrian Centre which is just outside Barnard Castle. Sarah Tubbs, the trainer, was very understanding to our various Fell pony needs and we enjoyed it so much that we are going to organise another one in 2024. Six pony/rider combinations took part so if you are interested, then please watch our page for more information. Early in May, we had our annual Hairy Pony Camp at Linnel Wood, near Hexham. This is a shared event with the Highland Pony Enthusiast Club and is always well supported.

It is an action packed weekend with a variety of activities but in 2023 it was extra special as it was held on the Coronation weekend.



North East Group Summer Social

In June we had our Summer Social/Picnic at the home of Rackwood Fell Ponies. Thirty-five people attended and enjoyed a non pony day, chatting with friends and watching the 90th Birthday 'Guard of Honour Ride' DVD which we thought was appropriate as several members had enrolled to complete the '96 Mile Challenge' in memory of the late Queen Elizabeth II. I currently have 10 people completed out of the 25 that enrolled but as

there is still one month to go until the 31st October, I am sure you will all get there. I will email all who have entered to see who is available to attend a pub lunch, maybe during November, to receive your rosettes.

I have recently been asked to put together a British Dressage Quest Team to compete in 2024. This came about when I shared a photo on Facebook showing four red rosettes and score sheets belonging to the 'Fell'O'Holics' who competed a few years ago. I have talked to a few friends and established a team of four people who live in the Durham area and are able to attend Holmside Hall Equestrian Centre at Burnhope and the RDA Unicorn Centre in Middlesbrough. Further discussion has brought about three people in the Yorkshire area who could compete a little further down our region at Northallerton Equestrian Centre and others in Yorkshire. You can have up to seven people on a team but only four compete at each event so if anyone in the North East area would like to take part and join a team then please contact myself or Heather Mawrey (hmawrey@hotmail.com). Maybe there is a Northumberland team out there waiting to enlist? This is a real fun way to get into dressage and meet other Fell pony owners in your area. We will be starting this challenge in January 2024 and completing in August 2024. The Regional Finals will be held in September so a relatively short window to commit to.

The North East Support Group Committee has decided to offer a training bursary in 2024. Applicants must be FPS members and reside in the North East area. The sum of £200 is available to pay for lessons/training and help the applicant to try something new, for them, with a Fell pony. This might include dressage, show jumping, driving, trec to name but a few. Full details will be displayed on our Facebook page and on the FPS Website by the end of this year.

Following on from the success of 2023 we will be offering a Sunday Lunch Event in February, a Training Day in April, a Fell and Highland Pony Camp in May and a Summer Social/Picnic in June. Most of the agricultural shows that hold Fell pony classes take place during July, August and September. These shows will provide you with lots of opportunity to get your ponies out and about and give you the chance to compete in the North East Points Award scheme.



This is our own Award scheme, and the booklet is available on our North East Facebook page or by emailing myself or Heather Mawrey. Trophies and rosettes for your 2023 achievements are presented at our Sunday Lunch event in February. If you haven't done it before, now is the time to give it a go.

I hope you and your ponies all have a safe and peaceful winter.

Eileen A Walker
(eileen@rackwoodfellponies.co.uk)

Fancy Dress at the Breed Show

Ivy Wrigley (4) won the fancy dress class at the Breed Show for the second year running (full Show results on p47 onward). Murthwaite Ripley represented "Frozen", with Ivy as Elsa and Mum Emma as Olaf. Ivy also won the prize for the youngest rider.

Midlands East Area Support Group

What a busy time we've had in the Midlands East since the last Newsletter. Back in March, after 12 years in the role of Area Coordinator, Kate Merry decided to step down and Nic Brierley has taken over the role; having been involved with the MESH herself for the past 9 years. An AGM was held in April where Nic introduced herself and discussed her vision for the future of the MESH. A copy of the Minutes are available on request.

Our Events started off in April with our annual Show at the Sandringham Estate in Norfolk; Sandringham Pony & Horse Show. Report by Lisa Dunger.

The show ground looked quite different this year as we had more local artisan stalls, a tack stall and of course the FPS Display Team had an excellent stand with merchandise and information about the Fell Pony. Sarah Prior very kindly judged for us this year with a good turnout of Fell ponies. The Supreme Fell Champion was Fellacre Lady Fenella with Nabside Gracie standing as Supreme Fell Reserve Champion.

Unfortunately in May, we received some devastating news; Miss Jane S. G. Glass had very sadly passed away. Jane was not only a huge stalwart of the Fell Pony Society but a true horsewoman and a lady who helped so many people with her knowledge and passion for Fell Ponies. The following words have been very kindly supplied by Jane Rawden.

Jane bred Fell Ponies for many, many years and her beautiful Wolds Fell Ponies are renowned worldwide. Jane brought together so many people who shared her love of horses and created lifelong friendships and memories. She was quiet and unassuming but shared her wealth of knowledge if needed. Her life was celebrated by many members of the Fell Pony community on 9th June with a short personal service, followed by tea and cake; we even had an ice cream van turn up as those of you that knew Jane would know how she loved an ice cream after a Horse Show; making us think of 'those good old days'.

A Pleasure Ride was organised in June in memory of Jane, followed by a picnic. We were blessed with good weather and lots of horses and ponies took part in the Ride. The Riders were then joined by other MESH Members who came along to join in for the picnic, where we held a Minute's silence before tucking into our food. Many people who attended remarked on what a lovely idea it was and everyone agreed that Jane would have loved the idea - even though we were missing an ice cream van!

Our three Midlands East Horse & Pony Shows held at Gotham took place in May, July and September. We were blessed with fantastic weather for all three Shows and had a good turnout of horses and ponies; welcoming lots of old and new faces. In May, the Overall Show Champion was Heather Seaman's Highland Chief O'The Glens with Ruth Cutler's Fell Pony Fellside Master Ted taking Reserve. In July the Overall Show Champion was Tamsin Bell-Heather with Greenholme Little Princess with Heather Seaman's Kilrush Jimmy H taking Reserve, and in September the Overall Show Champion was Amy Burbeck's Friesian Xena Colada, with Evie Meakin's Fell Pony Heltondale Royal taking Reserve. Thank you to Christine Poole, Rebecca Leek and the rest of the Show Team for taking over the running of the Shows this year.

The next event to take place on 17th September was a Treasure Hunt Ride & Picnic; very kindly organised by Judy & Nick Hill at their home in Lutterworth. I think it's safe to say that those of us who took part had a thoroughly good time enjoying both the Ride out with our Fell Ponies and a chance to catch up during the picnic with old friends, together with making new ones.

The Christmas Show will take place on Sunday 10th December at Barton Equestrian Centre, Nottingham NG11 0AA.

For full Show Results together with any further information on the MESG, please see our Facebook Group page 'Fell Pony Society - Midlands East Support Group' or our website www.fps-mesg.co.uk

Fourteen members of the MESG took part in The Fell Pony Society 2023 Challenge. They will be presented with their rosettes at our Annual Points Awards celebration (Date TBC.)

The Midlands East Centenary Book is available to purchase. Priced at just £7 (plus p&tp) you can request your copy by sending an email to mesgbook@gmail.com together with your details and how many copies you would like.

Our Annual Points Awards celebration will take place early 2024. Please contact me if you require any further information.

I'm looking forward to seeing lots of you at our Christmas Show and our Points Awards Event.

Nic Brierley
FPS-MESG
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Treasure Hunt Ride & Picnic

L-R Tracey Cockburn with Huntsman Guinness, Sue Parsons with Midtown Gizmo, Nic Brierley with Dalewin Kingpin, Erica Swithenbank with Globetrotter Hunter and Karen with Elisa

Russell Brierley

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Midlands West Area Support Group

GROUP PERFORMANCE AWARDS FOR 2022

Many thanks to all who attended the Group Performance Awards presentation for 2022 which, was held on April 1st 2023. We enjoyed, as always, another fabulous carvery lunch at the Hollybush Inn, Seighford and were well looked after by Mike and his team. Many thanks to Heidi of H&H Rosettes for supplying such lovely rosettes; also Jayne Walster and Lyn Saxon for their exceptional raffle ticket selling and Barry Stamp who acted as both MC and auctioneer. The main section winners were as follows:

Overall Performance and Winner of the Eileen Davies Memorial trophy, Oldmill Robin - Julie Dimelow. Robin also won the dressage section.



Overall Performance Winner and awarded the Eileen Davies Memorial trophy, Julie Dimelow's Oldmill Robin who also won the dressage section.

The Ken Saxon Memorial Trophy for the highest placed In Hand pony was awarded to Hillhead Whiskey and Helen Stewart.

Both the Competition and Leisure Driving sections were won by Raisbeck Cappuccino and Linda Wiggin. Linda again took home the Windybank Duke's Rose Driving Cup and Cappuccino was also presented with the MWFPSS Group Rose Bowl as the highest placed veteran pony.

Rackwood Hugo and Fiona Dillon were the 2022 TREC trophy section winners.

The Working Hunter pony section was won by Littletree Dizzy Rascal and Wendy Gallin.

Kate White and Greenholme Waterloo II again won the Happy Hacker section with an impressive amount of hours spent in the saddle.

It was unanimously agreed that The MW Group Committee Award for 2022, which is awarded to a person who has made an outstanding contribution to the breed, would be given to HM Queen Elizabeth II.

The results of the annual John Glaze Memorial Photography competition were also announced. The theme for 2022 was "A Headshot" and was judged by Jo and Vicky Glaze who reported that it had been a very difficult to judge as the entries were so good. The winning photograph was that of Hillhead Horace and Heidi Saxon Bland. Full results of both the Group Awards and photography competition are available from our Group website.

Please note that the last date to record points for the 2023 Group Awards is on October 20th 2023. To enter the awards you must be a current fully paid up member of the Midlands West Group. Forms need to be returned as soon as possible after this date, as

we are planning to hold our awards lunch in November this year. This is so we can also present rosettes for the Fell Pony Society Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Challenge. Many congratulations to those of you who have completed the Challenge.

April 2023 Group Pleasure Ride

We were disappointed that this ride had to be cancelled as we had no riders wanting to take part. However we do hope that this can be rescheduled to take place in 2024. Many thanks to Karen Bennett for organising. More details and a booking form will be available when we announce next year's programme of events.

The Midlands West Group Fell Pony Show

Unfortunately we were unable to hold our new look show in 2023 but plans are now afoot to run a show in 2024. As stated previously due to rising costs and low entry numbers, the committee has made the difficult decision to combine the Spring Festival of Fells Show and the summer Derbyshire Fell Pony Show into one new show. Could we ask that if anyone still has trophies from the 2022 Spring Show, which was held at Rodbaston College, or the 2022 Derbyshire Fell Pony Show which was held at Barleyfields, can you please make arrangements to return them to us so that they can be presented next year.

Show Sponsors

Any sponsorship money already given will be held in lieu for the next show and for the classes which you selected. Sponsorship is always very welcome and makes a vast difference to the continued running of shows.

Membership

New members are always welcome, and membership of the Group remains at £5.00 for the forthcoming year. Details of how to join the Group, membership forms and full details of events along with schedules and entry forms are available to download from our Group website - www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk, by calling 01785 282922, emailing diane@fellpony.me.uk, or find us on Face book - Fell Pony Society Midlands West Support Group. Please note being a member of the Midlands West Face Book Group is not full membership of the Midlands West Area Group.



Diane Key (Group Co-ordinator)

Carrock Daenerys

Carrock Daenerys with Imogen Cockbain, pictured here at Keswick where she won the geld mare class and then went on to be champion. Five days later she repeated this achievement at Hesket New Market show and went on to be reserve supreme champion horse or pony.

John Cockbain

South West Area Support Group

Pony news

It's been another good year for Karen Hodge's home-bred mare, Kalmara Fantasia. Supreme Champion at the FPS Southern Show, numerous other shows, and qualified for HOYS. This is her first time at HOYS, good luck Flossie!

Leanne Harman's grey mare, Severnvale Grace, has gone out on loan to be a unicorn! She attends children's parties and makes lots of children happy. *(see inside front cover)*

Dorset Fell Show

We were indoors at the Dorset Fell Show this year, in a lovely big arena, so there was plenty of room for the Fells to show their moves. *(Report on p28.)*

Dunster Country Fair

The Supreme Championship was a battle between the in-hand and the ridden champions. There was not much between them as both are lovely ponies. In the end Townend Gideon was awarded the Supreme and Littletree Ladybird was the reserve. Well done to all who came to the show, especially those who had to test their stickability.

Beach Ride

On 1st October we had a SW Area group meet-up, for Fells & Fell Friends, at Berron Beach. Many thanks go to Suzy McKirgan for helping with the organisation of this. It would not have happened without you.

There were four ponies attending, and lots more people. Two Fells and two Connemaras had fun on the sands. There was galloping, and jumping, and also some plodding. No-one fell off, and the riders all had a lovely time. The sand was flat and firm, so perfect for riding, and there was plenty of cake to go round. Thank you to Nick Pound for the photos, Tania for the cake, and Janet for the lovely rosettes and picnic.



Pub lunch

Sharron Camp has organised a Dorset meet-up for anyone in the SW Area Group. We'll be meeting in the Countryman Inn at East Knighton, at 12.30 on 4th November, for a pub lunch. 96 mile challenge completers can collect their rosettes at this event. Please let Sharron or Sue know if you are coming to this as we may need to order food in advance.

Queen Elizabeth Memorial Challenge

If you have not yet sent in your mileage forms, please get them to me asap. Rosettes can be collected at the pub lunch on 4th November, or I will post them out to you.

Sue Howes whereswoolly4@gmail.com or 01598 763542

FPS Next Generation Group

The FPS Next Generation Group hosted an open day at The Greenholme Fell Pony stud on Sunday 13th August and it was one to remember. This was an amazing opportunity to see the semi-feral Greenholme ponies in their natural surroundings.

Inside was 6 year old stallion Greenholme Lancelot who lapped up the attention of the approximately 85 people who came in and out! There was also picture boards of just a fraction of the Greenholme ponies bred throughout the years, including the main stallions and mares used by the stud. There were stud books and sales catalogues from past and present, the Fell Pony breed standard, Foal Immunodeficiency Syndrome and rare breed information on display for people to browse through as well as books about Fell Ponies, the FPS Centenary books, and cakes and refreshments galore.



Stacy Longrigg

Outside to see were 2 stallions, 4 yearling colts and geldings and a number of mares with their foals who all seemed to process their visitors very well considering the environment they are used to.

When we asked people's thoughts on the best way to gather all of the knowledge and information about the breed, and the general consensus was that more people need to be talking... and listening. This is one of the things the Next Generation Group are really keen to do in order to promote and grow the breed and keep it in the public eye. The group's aim is to capture the knowledge and experience that current Fell Pony breeders have and deliver it to others, as well as future breeders, to enable them to help keep the breed going. It is important that we encourage more people to recognise the significance of the few remaining semi-feral Fell Pony herds. The group intends hosting educational events such as stud visits, information days and discussions across the country to make it accessible to as many Fell Pony enthusiasts as possible. The best way to keep up to date with the group's events and information is through our Facebook page, "The Fell Pony Society Next Generation Group", where suggestions and help are equally welcome.

We are recruiting committee members, so if you would like to get involved please contact us.

Stacy Longrigg - Chairman; Kayley Radford - Treasurer

FPSNA - Overseas Branch Activity

Lots to share, even with the year not quite over yet, but so much going on with our members and their ponies on the continent.

With another 'Challenge' being offered by FPS this year, FPSNA was delighted to once again to provide anyone in North America the ability to enroll for the 96 Mile Challenge through our website. Even more participants signed up through this service than last year, and we've already had some completed log sheets returned.

FPSNA has unveiled the first ever Virtual Showing Opportunity for registered Fell Ponies in North America. Spearheaded by member Cherie Hansen, who is volunteering as show secretary, these shows consist of submitting video entries, which are then forwarded on to an FPS Approved Panel Judge.

Our first show concluded on July 15th, judged by Michael Goddard. Our intention behind offering a virtual show platform is that the geographic distance between our members is so widespread, that having the opportunity to show against other Fell Ponies is nearly impossible for most members. To that end, our goal was achieved the very first time out, as our Champion and Reserve went to ponies that reside over 1,200 miles apart. Full results can be found at the end of this article. We are offering a second show as well this year, with entries closing on October 31st, which will be judged by Ruth Eastwood.

FPSNA Council member Jane Snar attended the Northwest Horse Fair and Expo in Oregon with her trusty Fell mare JKL Istas, the only Fell Pony in attendance at this event. This was a four-day venue where Jane was handling meet and greet duties for our breed, as well as participating in clinics with her pony. Many new admirers to the Fell Pony were made by having a presence at this event.

FPSNA Promotions Director Janice Laube reported the debut of her young mare DreamHayven Afton in USDF ridden dressage competition this year, achieving very impressive scores on their first time out in Intro Level, with a 70.750 and a 74.688 under trainer Heather Tuttle. Janice has been a long-time competitor in USDF dressage with her Fell Ponies, and this involvement continues to strengthen recognition of our breed's capability in this discipline.

FPSNA Council member Melissa Kreuzer hosted her Ponies N' Pints Cumbrian Tours for the third year, which is a bespoke guided tour to the home of Fell Ponies, appropriate for any interest level in the breed from just beginning to experienced breeders. This year's tour was the largest ever, with 7 guests joining in from all over North America. Nearly 10 visits to different Fell Pony studs were made, including a very special conversation with Robert McCosh of Dalemain Estate, as he shared some of the history of his mother's former breeding program there. Tour guests wrapped up their time in Cumbria with a full day out enjoying the FPS Breed Show.

Both Nichole Jansen (FPSNA Council member) and Jeanette Marsh returned to the prestigious Villa Louis Carriage Classic driving competition in Prairie du Chien, WI. Nichole, driving seasoned veteran Littletree Limited Edition, secured the Championship in the Large Pony Open Division for the second time running.



Jeanette Marsh with DreamHayven Irish Rose and Nichole Jansen with Littletree Limited Edition, at the prestigious Villa Louis Carriage Classic driving competition, Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin

Jeanette, driving her 7-year-old mare DreamHayven Irish Rose, climbed the ranks several placings in the same division (Large Pony Open) compared to her last year's results.

A crowning moment for the breed, and for these members, was seeing Fell Ponies for the first time ever at this level of driving competition being placed First and Second in two highly regarded ring classes: Turn Out, and Working.

From recreational riding, to expos, to educational journeys, to governed shows in major disciplines, FPSNA members and their ponies are getting out there, bringing attention and recognition to all this breed's talents and capabilities, no matter the chosen activity.

Members are encouraged to share their events and activities with FPSNA at info@fpsna.org. Not a member yet? Please visit our website at www.fpsna.org for education and information on the breed and our organization.

Melissa Kreuzer, Chairman, Zone 3 Representative

FPSNA Virtual Show, Summer 2023 Results:

Yearling Colt Class: 1 - Moonlit Blue Bruce, owner Melissa Kreuzer

Geldings 3 years and Under Class: 1 - Dragonflyacres Tanna Yondo, owner Catherine Martin

Second Place, 1 - DreamHayven Odin, owner Candyce Klin Lebeduik

Geldings 4 years and Older Class: 1 - DreamHayven Perfect Storm, owner Cherie Hansen

Second Place, 1 - Littletree Limited Edition, owner Nichole Jansen

Licensed Stallions 15 + Class: 1 - Llancloudy Magic Diamond, owner Cherie Hansen

Champion - Dragonflyacres Tanna Yondo

Reserve Champion - Llancloudy Magic Diamond

Denmark Visit



Setmabanning Poldark

I was invited to Denmark to stay with Sara Brix and her Mum and Dad, and what a fabulous time I had. Last year they bought Setmabanning Poldark, who I hope will breed well for them. He is a young pony with a wise head on his shoulders. We visited other ponies, to name a couple Holling Brown Ale and a sweet mare Horshauges Cara Mia who was by the British stallion Ludworth Master.

We visited a large horse show “heste dag” (horse day) where there was a class for Fell ponies, judged on points from 10 given in each section, type, walk, movement. I found it interesting to watch a Swedish judge assess them.

I was treated to some lovely scenery but the food, oh the food, that was fabulous. Talk about icing on the cake! Sara made a cake with a layer of dark chocolate, vanilla cream and strawberries, delicious!

Ruth Eastwood



Townend Penny



Bybeck Toni

Townend Oran - Living the Dream



I wrote a wee article in volume 42 about Townend Oran, about dreams can come true. For me now it's living the dream. We have achieved so much & the experience this wonderful wee pony has given is beyond words. She's lovingly known as Toots.

We have succeeded to do endurance rides and one of them was doing Balmoral Castle 22km. The late Queen was in residence but sadly we didn't get invited for a cup of tea. The scenery round the grounds was breath taking and the most wonderful memory.

The next amazing experience was actually qualifying for Blair International Horse Trials...I was truly stunned, Toots reckons easy peasy.

Getting everything ready for Blair was hard work, then the travelling as I live near Inverness. On the day just as we were to go in it poured with rain. However, the show must go on....and unbelievably we were placed and got a 6th. Just a wonderful day.

Other days we have lovely rides in The Culbain forest, beach rides, local shows, ridden and in hand. Oran receives lovely compliments and is well placed.

But the very best bit for me is just the pure joy and love of having her and gratitude for Living the Dream.

Thank you, Toots.

Mary Anne Maplesden.



Vassack Hamish

In March 2021 I had the privilege of rehoming Vassack Hamish following the sad passing of his breeder/owner.

When I first met Hamish I took him for an in hand walk. I was told it was the first time in 6 years he had been out of his field. He was delighted to be out and very keen to get acquainted with everyone.

His character shone through and I knew I had to take him home and give him the best life I could. Fortunately I was approved as suitable and so our life together started.

Since then we have enjoyed many outings and adventures, done some local showing classes and I even backed him (although I have to admit steering is still a “work in progress”).

It has been a lot of years since he did competition carriage driving and I intend putting him back in harness just to see what he thinks about the idea. Hamish is a kind and laid back pony but if he does not want to do something the Fell stubbornness kicks in ... He might feel at age 23 he is done with pulling a cart but no doubt he will let me know how he feels about it!

Fiona Stevenson, Aberdeenshire



A novel cataloguing method at the Greenholme Stud Open Day



Sarah-Jane Morey

Bracklinn Ella

I had been trying to find a mare for quite some time. I eventually found Bracklinn Ella and I was so pleased with my purchase.

Two years have now passed. The first year we broke her in, and then the second year I was diagnosed with a medical condition which devastated me because I could hardly walk.

Miracles do happen however, and thank goodness for a wonder drug that has really helped me now.

Earlier this year I worked on Ella, giving her a new slimmer look. It was our first show season together. I decided to enter the Great Yorkshire Show, my first County show, and what an amazing time we both had, coming fourth in a huge class of mares. I can't tell you what an achievement this was for me, being able to actually run round that ring. I had a smile on my face from ear to ear.

We have also entered some other agricultural shows around Yorkshire, being placed top with some amazing comments from the judges.

I am really looking forward to being out there next year, hopefully in some ridden classes with this wonderful mare.

My mottos are "good things come to those who wait" and "always make a negative into a positive and your dreams can come true."

Jules Smith



Bracklinn Ella and Jules Smith

Learning with Fells 2023

I have been riding since I was five years old and yet never really knew much about the Fell ponies until about a year ago, when I started volunteering for Nicola Evans with her Helmside Fell Ponies.

This is where my love for Fell ponies grew.

I was fortunate enough to get invited to Rakefoot Farm and visit Glenis Cockbain's Fell and Dales ponies. What an exciting start to my summer holidays, we were first greeted by Glenis who then took us onto her lower fell to see her Dales ponies. This was my first experience meeting a Carrock Dales pony and I was surprised to see similarity with them and the Fell ponies. Glenis helped me understand the differences between the Fell and Dales ponies. One of the characteristics being that the Fell pony has hairier feather on the lower leg.

Then we walked through a field full of Swaledale sheep where I found that it wasn't just ponies which Glenis breeds or shows, these fluffy little fellas have won lots of rosettes as well! Then we went down to see the inquisitive, playful and very cute yearlings. After the time with the yearlings and meeting a few more of the Fells and Dales with their foals we headed back to the farm for lunch, passing the very cute Berrichon sheep.



After lunch we hiked up the fell to find some welcoming pony faces, and these cheeky chums cantered down to see us as well as a Dales mare and foal. Glenis pointed out in the distance the Carrock fell, where these special Dales get their name. As we looked over Bassenthwaite Lake and Derwent Water we turned around to see the Fell ponies munching on grass and it gave me time to reflect on my day with these special ponies.

Many thanks to Glenis for such an informative special day and all the work she gives to these animals.

Olivia Longman

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Sales List

Turnover on the **Sales list of Fell Ponies** on the FPS web site continues to be very fast, with foals and broken ponies moving on quickly. We are also receiving more Wanted ads, which are proving effective for obtaining ponies.

The Sales List can be found at http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/sales_list.htm. It is updated with fresh adverts as they are received.

Each advertisement is shown for 3 months, after which time it will be reviewed. To advertise Fell Ponies for sale or place a Wanted ad, please submit details to the FPS Secretary by email, secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk

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Saturday 18 November 2023

10.30am

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Closing Date: 6 November 2023

Pony Obituaries

Sleddale Eddie 1997 - 2023

On Friday, February 24, we suddenly had to say goodbye to our wonderful stallion Sleddale Eddie. Our Mr Ed. Eddie was the figurehead of our Fell Pony Stable Westerkwartier for more than 22 years.

When we met the Fell pony over twenty years ago it was love at first sight. Our first pony came just before the FMD broke out. After that happened you were no longer allowed to travel with ponies if you also had sheep or cows. We thought that a stallion would also be something new, in the North part of the Netherlands, where the Fell ponies were still completely unknown at that time.

Via the site of the NFPS we found three stallions for sale at Rens Hofstede in Beckum. We thought all the ponies were nice, but there was one who came walking towards us very quietly, Sleddale Eddie, and so the choice fell on him. We didn't know at the time but afterwards realised this had been a very good choice.



Rens then prepared Eddie and brought him to the stallion show and after that we took him home.

For the first two years, Eddie only served as a breeding stallion. We were still driving a Friesian back then, but we wanted something "smaller" and that's why we taught Eddie instead.

We have ridden a lot recreationally with him and later in pairs with his sons Knillis or Odin van het Westerkwartier. Eddie was really at home in all environments and always remained calm. During music, applause, the folklore day, St. Nicholas parade, a bridal couple, Santa, picking rings, Fell pony sports day, he did it with pleasure. In 2013 Eddie became Preferent and in 2017 a Performance stallion within the NFPS. Last year, as icing on the cake for all good breed promotion, or as you say in England keeping the Fell flag high, he was awarded the Duke of Edinburgh trophy by the English Fell Pony Society. It made us so proud of him.

At the end of Thursday afternoon, he was not well, and the vet thought at best a blood clot and otherwise a TIA. For this he was given medicines that to make him better during the night. Unfortunately, on Friday, he could hardly walk and looked at us "help, what is wrong?" so we had to make the tough (for Eddie the best) decision to let him go. We took a little piece from his mane and promised him, "we will bring it back to where you were born." Next time we visit Cumbria we will go to Wet Sleddale again and let the hair go on the wind. We miss Mr Ed terribly but are very grateful for what he has brought us all, good descendants and many friends all over the world.

Thanks, big friend!!

Postma family, Fell Pony Stal Westerkwartier

Heltondale Lucy X, 1989-2023



It's fair to say that Lucy was well travelled - from Cumbria to Germany and back, with many foals along the way - but I remember her arrival in the hills of Lancashire. As the ramp of the box was lowered, I saw a grey pony obviously in foal.

Lucy was always going to be special as she was the first pony to come to me in retirement. This was no shrinking violet. In minutes she was searching for the entrance to the nearest field, as if she had been here all her life. Heltondale Lucy had arrived. Before she could kick up her heels, however, there was one more job, and not long after, with a couple of good pushes her last foal, a filly, was born.

At only 13.0hh she bounced across the fields, boldly going where the other ponies would not usually go, and she would often be found by herself, enjoying the best grass.

It was easy to know what Lucy wanted, because she made it very clear. Children were always treated gently until even the nervous ones were happy to try a stroll down the lane. Dogs, however, were another matter! Any visitors would be subjected to her friendly, but thorough, stop and frisk policy, which was not always appreciated by walkers who crossed HER path.

As we both grew older, the joy of being with this tough little pony always made life better. I am thankful that age 34 she was still scrambling up the rough hills in all weather, a Fell Pony to the end. I hope that her descendants have inherited her many qualities.

It is hard to explain how much she will be missed, but I hope that I gave her the happiness that she gave me.

Anne Higgins, Lucy's mum.



Tebay Shadow

We recently had to say a very sad goodbye to our wonderful Fell pony, Tebay Shadow. Shad came to live with us 20 years ago and had reached the amazing age of 33. He was the best pony any family could have had: gentle, kind, but still with a cheeky glint in his eyes.

In his younger days he was part of The Chariots of Fire display team.

We have many happy memories to look back on of our lovely boy and his late stable pal Crackenthorpe Ibertina (Tina).

Frankie Atkinson

Wolds Songthrush, 1988-2023 and Murthwaite Roly, 1993-2023

Shortly after the stallion show I had to say the final goodbye to my two soulmates Songthrush and Roly. At 35 and 30 and owned from being foals, this was a heart breaking decision, but Songthrush's lack of teeth were causing difficulty in keeping weight on, and along with Roly's chronic arthritis, I did not want to put them into another winter. Whilst I was at the stallion show, Song went down and struggled to get up, and so very quickly the decision was made. I arranged everything on the Monday and said my goodbyes on the Tuesday. It is making me well up even now.

I have written about Songthrush many times in terms of her breeding. I decided she was to be mine when she was born as her dam (Heltondale Rose V) was already 19 and we didn't expect many more foals (*photo of Songthrush and her dam in Jane Glass's obituary on p 18*).

Roly was bought on a whim at the sale. He had caught my eye but also the meat man's, so I bid and bid and then couldn't stop, paying 135 Guineas for him. I had no transport, so Thomas kindly agreed to turn him back out on the fell with his dam until we collected him a few weeks later, along with Murthwaite Bill and M. Ben who had been bought privately by Jane Glass.

These two ponies gave me everything. Between them they did everything I asked: Roly hunted with the Quorn, even waiting kindly when I fell off, whilst about 100 horses and riders charged by. I got back on and away we went. Roly was also a good dressage pony and I should have done more with him really. They both did Le Trec and Songthrush did endurance and of course they both did well in the show ring. Jumping is not my thing but we did a few cross country sessions as well as working hunter classes.

Probably the highlight was riding a sponsored ride around the roads and tracks and cross country of Burleigh on the Sunday of the three day event. As usual, Sam Audley rode Songthrush and I rode Roly and it was just tremendous to get up close to the jumps and gallop along the lovely turf.

I have many, many more memories, such as swimming in the river Eden at Bolton near Appleby, riding on the fells at breed show time, riding in Sherwood Forest most weekends on the lovely sand tracks and riding around the lanes down here after we moved down in 2009. They both helped little people learn to ride and had quite a junior fan base. Latterly I led Songthrush (ride and lead) as she was really getting too old to ride but she loved to go out and would try to race on the lead rein!

In 2022 we managed to complete the Centenary challenge as part of a team but also did over 80 miles on our own. At the start of the year I had to stop riding Roly too, because of arthritis for both of us, but we carried on going out in hand and they enjoyed it.

The sun shone on their final day after weeks of rain, and they stood in their favourite place. The field seems very empty now. Thank you my lovelies, you gave me your best and I hope I did the best for you.

Liz Whitley

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The late Queen's retired Head Groom Terry Pendry with her pony, Carltonima Emma, who was awarded the Lowthwaite Rob trophy this year. Mr Pendry was made an Honorary Life Member of the Society.

Emma also displays the Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Challenge bridle disc. The 96-mile Challenge ran from the Queen's birthday, 21st April, to 31st October 2023. Some members were still completing it as the Magazine went to print, so we hope to receive stories and photographs for the Spring issue.

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